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Municipality decides to wait on selling hydro electric utility

by W. Brice McVicar

Thirty people attended an open house meeting here in Madoc on Monday to try and find alternatives to selling the hydro electric utility.

The meeting came a week after the municipality held a special council meeting announcing they planned to sell the utility to Ontario Hydro for over $1 million.

Centre Hastings Reeve Tom Deline told the crowd, all of whom seemed to be opposed to the sale, the municipality was on record that they were planning to sell the utility but would be willing to listen to their concerns and suggestions.

"What we'd like to do this evening is give everyone a little background and try to bring everyone here up to date on what and where we've decided to go and we'll take some input and take it back if it's necessary," Deline stated. He gave the crowd a brief history on Bill 35, the hydro deregulation bill, and explained how the restructuring basis has given municipality's three choices: keep the utility, sell the utility or amalgamate with other utilities. Deline added he had been to no less than 10 meetings on the subject and at all meetings the point was brought up that a utility would not be able to survive without 20,000 customers. Madoc Hydro Electric Utility boasts 810 customers.

Resident Bob Bonter, speaking on the analysis of the utility the municipality had done, said he has a problem with basing a decision on their input. "When we start losing jobs and we take the word of somebody who lives in Toronto or Cobourg and we base a decision on that I think we really have to get together as a community and take a good look at what's going on."

Deline pointed out Bonter should keep in mind that it's not the community that is making them do this but the Ontario government. Bonter said that was true but they didn't say the decision had to be made right away.

Another resident, Tom Burnside, said he would like to hear from the hydro commissioners and pointed out he wasn't impressed that the meeting was called on the night the final decision was slated to be made.

"I think we are key-holed here," John Wagner said. "We weren't asked for ad-

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Funds for Friends of the Library: Students at Madoc Public School are raising funds for the library by collecting IGA receipts. For every $300 in receipts the library gets $1 towards the purchase of new books. So far, since starting in September, there has been $63,700 raised. From left to right are Avril Sexton, Emilie Holmes, Tiffany Ramsay and Vi Roundell./Photo by W. Brice McVicar

Reeve Deline wants OPP to stay in Centre Hastings

by W. Brice McVicar

Centre Hastings Reeve Tom Deline wants the OPP to stay in Madoc.

At their November 24th meeting council heard Deline's report from the Community Policing Advisory Council meeting where he and other members of that council suggested buildings in their municipalities that could serve as the new OPP detachment building.

"I'm up to my ying-yang in that particular stuff," Deline noted. He explained there are five or six municipalities involved in the council and all are trying to locate a building for the OPP.

While Deline noted he had pointed out numerous existing buildings in the municipality that could serve the purpose such as the old firehall he also told council, "I suggested the industrial park and the ball park, I mentioned a number of areas to make sure that they understand that we are quite serious in trying to maintain keeping them here."

Councillor David Schulz asked Deline if the OPP have expressed any preferences in an area and was told that, officially, they have not cited one.

"They will when it comes right down to it but they haven't yet," Deline noted. Deline added he told the council the OPP have been in Madoc Township for a long number of years and they should remain in the Highways 62 and 7 area.

Deline made the analogy of Centre Hastings going to Tweed and trying to bring their medical facility to this area, he stressed he does not want to see this issue become a fight between the involved municipalities.

"We don't need to be bickering amongst the municipalities," he pointed out. "We need to be working together and as long as one is trying to get something from somebody else's area it isn't going to help in achieving anything in com-

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Fire department installing two dry hydrants

by W. Brice McVicar

The installation of two new dry fire hydrants was the main focus of Centre Hastings Fire Chief Glenn Locke's quarterly report to council.

Locke told council dry hydrants have been something the fire department have been looking into for quite some time. He explained a dry hydrant enables the department to draft water out quicker in the winter time as opposed to drilling holes in the ice.

Locke said they would like to put one at Moira Lake and another at Kerby's Creek on Hollowview Road to draft water out of Rawdon Creek.

Locke told council they have already acquired a permit for the hydrant at Moira Lake but he didn't believe they would need a permit for Rawdon Creek.

Councillor Larry Mitz asked Locke why he believed they wouldn't need a

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Party held for Deputy Fire Chief Derry: A retirement party was held at the Kiwanis Club on Friday night to honour Centre Hastings Deputy Fire Chief Carl Derry, who will be retiring on January 1st. Above, Reeve Tom Deline presents Derry with a silver plated helmet./Photo by Peter Gooderham

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Students recognized: Three students from Centre Hastings Secondary School attended the Ontario Forestry Association's 50th Anniversary last month and, while in attendance, presented the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Hilary Weston, with a Christmas tree. The students are all in the Environmental Leadership Class at CHSS. From left to right are: Adam Woolfrey, Allison Mitchell, The Honourable Hilary Weston and Albert Stoffers./ Photo submitted

Director of Education to retire

On November 22, the Board received a letter from Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board's Director of Education, Phil Ainsworth, indicating his intention to retire August 31, 2000 after 37 years in education.

Ainsworth was selected as the Director of Education by the former Hastings County Board of Education and began the role on January 1, 1996. Following amalgamation of the Hastings and Prince Edward County School Boards of Education, Ainsworth became the Director of Education of the new board.

"His leadership has been well received during this important period of the new Board's life," said Board Chair, Audrey Carter.

During his career, Ainsworth has served as classroom teacher, vice-principal, principal, curriculum co-ordinator, superintendent and director of education. Ainsworth was born in raised in Prince Edward County and began his teaching career there in September 1963 after attending Toronto Teachers' College. In 1967 he moved to Hastings County to continue his career.

"On behalf of the Board, I would wish Mr. Ainsworth all the best in his retirement years," said Chair Carter.

In the near future the Board will begin the process to replace Ainsworth for next fall.

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Stirling goes to semi's at Silver Stick tournament

The Stirling Legion Peewee A Blues went to the Silver Stick tournament in Pembroke last weekend and did a fine job of upholding Stirling's reputation as a hockey town. Friday night the team first came up against Kingston City. The competition was keen, but Stirling controlled the game from the beginning. Stirling defenceman David Pollock scored the only goal of the entire game, near the end of the first period. KC rallied on several occasions but were held at bay largely due to the quick reflexes of goalie Scott Benoit and the defensive action of the entire team.

The next team to cross our path was Deep River. Once again, Stirling had their work cut out for them. The teams were well matched and the play moved up and down the ice quickly. The first and second periods went by without a single goal. Tension was high. Then Ben Hagerman made a beautiful pass out front to Kenny Buxton who flipped it right over the goalie's shoulder. Deep River fought hard but with just 21 seconds left in the game Kenny Buxton put the final nail in their proverbial coffin. Goalie Jason Stapley successfully defends against 17 shots on goal. Stirling wins again!

The previous two wins earned Stirling a place in the play offs. However, a win in this third game would give us the advantage. But first, Stirling had to get past North Dundas. Stirling took control of the game right out of the gate. Jamie Stevens poked in the first goal on a rebound off A.J. Marshall. After that, the flood gates were open! Five more goals, all unassisted followed. First, Kenny Buxton, then a second goal for Stevens. Those goals were followed by Marshall and Evan Barz blasting their own in. The last goal of the game was a rocket from the blue line, a second goal for Kenny Buxton. Even down two men, with six opponents, goalie Scott Benoit survived an incredible 28 of 30 shots on goal and Stirling won 6 to 2!

The team was now in the semi-finals. Due to the points total, their adversary turned out to be North Dundas again! This team wasn't going to go away with out a fight. This game was the ultimate nail biter. North Dundas came out onto the ice with a score to even. The first period was an end to end battle with no goals. In the second period North Dundas was the first to score. Tension was high on the Stirling bench, then, with just 44 seconds left in the period, Kenny Buxton sailed one into the net to tie the score. The third period was just as vicious a battle. Four minutes into the period, North Dundas scored what turned out to be the winning goal. The Blues went home with a 3 to 1 record. Not too shabby at all!

No rest to be had, Stirling hosted Campbellford in league play on Monday night. These boys took out their vengeance on Campbellford. In the first period Sean Fisher was the first to score, assisted by Ben Hagerman and Kenny Buxton. Campbellford put on a good defensive game in the second period but ran out of steam in the third. The final period began with the team "sniper" A.J. Marshall firing one into the top corner. This was followed by Max Empey, assisted by Brendan Murphy. The next goal by Jamie Stevens was picked up off a rebound from A.J. Marshall and David Pollock. The last goal of the game, shot by Kenny Buxton, went in off a Campbellford defenceman, assisted by Nick Lyon. Goalie Scott Benoit played a fine game. The game ended 5-1 for Stirling.

Peewees shut-out Brighton, beat Frankford

by Sherry Tompkins

The Stirling Legion Peewee A team was on a roll this weekend. The fun began in Stirling, against Brighton. This game was a runaway right from the beginning. Stirling's Sean Fisher hit the target first, assiated by Evan Fleming and Ben Hagerman. This was followed by a goal for Hagerman, assisted by A.J. Marshall. In the second period, it was Jamie Stevens that scored first, assisted by Evan Barz and Nick Lyon. This beauty was followed by number two for Ben Hagerman, this time he was assisted by Sean Fisher and A.J. Marshall. In the third period Ben Hagerman got his third goal for his first hat-trick of the season. He was assisted by Nick Lyon and Max Empey. Goalie Jason Stapley walked away with a complete shut-out.

Saturday night it was the Frankford Huskies that came to visit. This game was a much closer match. Stirling came right out onto the ice and set the scoreboard to work, compliments of Jamie Stevens, assisted by Cole Tompkins and Chris Buxton. Frankford wasn't going down easy and caught up by the end of the first period. In the second, Stirling was up on the board first again. This time it was a beautiful unassisted bellringer from team captain Ben Hagerman. Once again, Frankford caught up. However, Stirling retaliated immediately. Ben Hagerman popped one into the corner, assisted by A.J. Marshall and Jamie Stevens. Try as they may the game went on without another goal and Stirling won 3-2. Goalie Scott Benoit fended off 29 shots on goal.

Sunday it was off to Brighton for a rematch. Brighton definietly had a vendetta when they hit the ice and they showed it by being the first on the scoreboard. Now this was a hard hitting, action packed hockey game. Team sniper A.J. Marshall popped in the first goal for Stirling, unassisted. This was followed by a jab into the corner from Cole Tompkins, assisted by Evan Fleming and Jamie Stevens. The second period saw no goals but lots of penalties! In the third, A.J. Marshall went solo once more for the final goal of the game. Once again, Stirling was victorious 3 to 1. Goalie Jason Stapley survived an amazing 35 shots on goal. Quite a weekend!

Ivanhoe Women's Institute News

The November meeting of the Ivanhoe W.I. was held at the home of President Mary Sills with eight members and two visitors present.

International Affairs Convenor June Irish was in charge of the program.

The Ode was sung and the collect repeated.

Roll call - War memories or what would be important to us in year 2000. All very interesting replies.

Minutes were read and approved.

The December meeting will be in the form of dinner out and to Laura Woods' for the meeting. There will be a gift exchange and donations for Christmas sharing.

Marion Foster gave a report on the Trent Valley Convention. As November 11th was close, what better program could we have than from one of our members who lived and grew up as a young child in 1934 and moved to Indonesia where her father was a missionary and teacher. After the bombing of Pearl Harbour her father was taken prisoner in a concentration camp in December 1941. The schools were closed and Ada, along with mother and sister, were put in a concentration camp. During this time they had no word of the father. In November 1945 they were happily reunited with their father and, in June of 1946, were on a boat back to Holland. In 1951 Ada came to Canada to follow her boyfriend Peter. In June of 1952 Ada and Peter were married and lived in the area between Springbrook and Belleville eventually moving to their home at RR#2 Stirling.

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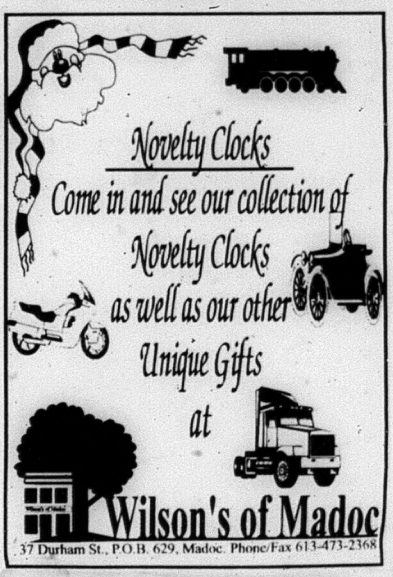

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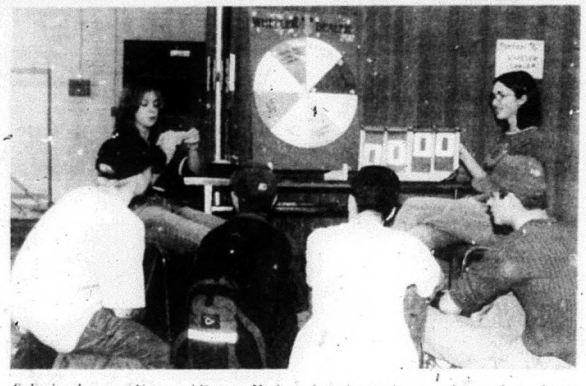

Sobering lessons: Norwood District High students learned some sobering facts about alcohol and drugs Friday courtesy of students in Todd Murray's grade ten class. Inspired by a substance abuse awareness workshop they recently attended, the 21 students put together their own health fair focusing on some of the stark realities of drug and alcohol abuse. A multitude of stations were set up in the lecture hall featuring simulations, games and even a "virtual party" website (www.virtual-party.org). Topics addressed included fetal alcohol syndrome, binge drinking, drinking and driving. Statistics indicate that 42 per cent of Ontario students binge drink so the health fair was both timely and instructive. The session ended with a harrowing video about a Florida University student who died after a bout of binge drinking. Alcohol kills five times more people than all illegal drugs combined. Photo/Bill Freeman

Super Knight: Tabetha Williams is the first "Knight of the Month" at Norwood District High School receiving honours for her school-leading efforts in the chocolate bar fundraising campaign. For her hard work she receives a gift certificate from Ken's Pizza in Havelock. Congratulating Tabetha are teachers Todd Murray and Carol Lemm, members of the Community Development Committee. Photo/Bill Freeman

Novice CDHS wrestlers shine in Cobourg

Cobourg--Coach Murray Fischer was delighted with the performances of the novice wrestlers of his Campbellford District High School team at a wrestling tournament held Wednesday in Cobourg.

Three of his charges, Peter Simons, Matt Galt and Justin Lowe, swept three consecutive starts to capture first place while Max Keough and Miguel Periera. In girls' action Becky Coggins won two of her three outings.

Rebels manage split in interlocking play

The Georgina Ice put the Campbellford Rebels on ice Nov. 27th on home ice but the Rebels bounced back to clip Bobcaygeon Bullets 7-3 to split their interlocking junior C play.

On Saturday, the Ice jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first period on goals by Mark Garrard, Justin Murray and Jay Sime.

Defenceman Kevin Cork cut the lead to 3-1 for the Rebels with a goal assisted by Tim Dingman with 2:21 left in the first period.

In the second period, Rebels cut the lead to 3-2 as Lee Van Huizen scored on a power play with Jeremy Smith earning an assist.

But Georgina dominated the final period, scoring a power play goal at 15:37 by Jeremy Filby and then wrapping the verdict with an empty net goal by Mark Garrard with 32 seconds left.

Monday night the Rebels travelled to Bobcaygeon and stayed in charge most of the way.

Campbellford marksmen were Adam Brown with a pair, Jamie McComb, Josh Cork, Ryan Culhane, Ryan Broek and J. P. Goulah. The Bobcaygeon snipers included Chris Rouey and Russ Farthing.

The Bullets cut the Rebel margin to 5-3 at one point in the final period but the visitors pulled out of sight in the dying minutes as Broek connected on a pass from Goulah and then Goulah scored unassisted with 2:54 remaining.

Rebels next home game is Saturday, Dec. 4th at 8 p.m. when they face the much-improved North Frontenac Flyers. It is also the Rebels' fourth annual Toys for Kids Night at the arena. Anyone bringing a new unwrapped toy to the game will be admitted free and the toys will be delivered to the Salvation Army for Christmas distribution.

Warkworth celebrates Christmas tradition

The Olde Tyme Village Lantern Walk has been a Christmas season tradition in Warkworth for the past seven years. Sponsored by Heritage Percy, it provides a community event which conjures up memories of festive seasons past.

This year following the walk, the program will feature the St. Cecelia Ringers, a bell group from Port Hope, as well as several vocal and instrumental numbers. The short program will be preceded by a warm cup of cider and homemade cookies.

The Walk starts, as usual, from the Warkworth Town Hall Saturday, Dec. 11th at 7 p.m.

Heart cath lab gets April opening

Funding announcement good news for local cardiac patients

Peterborough Cty. - The provincial government has approved a grant of up to $3.15 million for a new heart catheterization lab at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre.

The announcement is good news for the more than 1800 cardiac patients who now be able to receive the much-needed service locally.

The heart cath lab is expected to be up and running by April.

The government is also providing $2.1 million in additional operating funds for the new cath lab and $307,500 for one-time start-up costs that include the planning, hiring and training of staff.

"Today's announcement means that people with heart disease in this area will have better access to the services they need," Peterborough MPP Gary Stewart said Friday as he made the announcement on behalf of Health Minister Elizabeth Witmer.

The ministry's capital investment covers 70 per cent of the total project cost, including the construction of new space as well as equipment and furniture.

The local fundraising campaign has been a monumental success and has already raised over $2 million.

"We are very pleased to receive ministry approval for the development of a cardiac catheterization program," Helath Centre CEO Rob Devitt said.

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Novice B's take to the ice

Asphodel-Norwood - Asphodel-Norwood P. Steel Erectors Ltd. Novice "B" Hornets hit the ice for the first game of the 1999-2000 season Oct. 13 against the newly-amalgamated Douro-Warsaw team.

Working hard, the Hornets came away with a 5-0 loss however Mark Bitten was awesome between the pipes for the Hornets. Solid defensive play by Chad Buchanan, Giles Hall, Ryan Kingston and Clayton Leeming allowed the forwards to move the puck up the ice against the strong fore-checking of Douro-Warsaw.

Outstanding efforts by forwards Andrew Kingston, Jamie Phillipe, Andrew Dornan, Adam Terry, James Brandon and Robbie Moore provided some thrilling near misses.

It was a first solid outing for the Novice "B" Hornets.

On Oct. 17, the Hornets stung the Omemee Sharks 8-3. Once again, Bitten was excellent in net fighting off several Shark attacks. Playing up with the team were tykes Michael Loucks and Steven Walsh. Scoring the hat trick for the Hornets was Phillipe while Loucks had a pair of assists with single markers to Terry, Brandon and Walsh. Assists were handed out to Hall, Ryan Kingston, Terry, Phillipe and Walsh.

Next up for the squad was another tussle with the tough Douro-Warsaw team, losing 2-0. Regardless, it was a strong team effort with game-preserving style by Mark Bitten in goal.

Jamie Phillipe scored the lone marker Oct. 23 in Lakefield as the Chiefs defeated the Hornets 6-1. There was plenty of good passing and some excellent passing opportunities in this exciting game.

The Hornets buzzed by the Otonabee Wolves 2-0, Nov. 7 with Bitten putting up a steel curtain in net for the victors. Goals were scored by Hall and Ryan Kingston with Dornan notching an assist.

The B's were on the road to Millbrook Nov. 11 where they edged the Stars 3-1. Adam Terry led the way with a pair of goals and an assist while tyke helper Steven Walsh scored once and earned an assist. It was another solid keeper performance by Bitten.

Three days later the Hornets entertained the Stars on home ice and thrilled fans with a huge team effort and a 1-1 draw. With the goalie pulled, Phillipe fired in the game-tying marker with 39 seconds to play. Dornan and Terry assisted. This magnificent effort demonstrated improved play and determination by all the players.

The squad skated to 2-2 tie with the Ennismore Eagles Nov. 20 with Terry and Dornan notching goals for the Hornets with assists to Buchanan, Phillipe and Andrew Kingston. Mark Bitten continued his stingy ways in net.

The next day, the Lakefield Chiefs were in town and skated away with a tough 3-2 win. Mark Bitten shone again in net with goals to Phillipe and Terry. Assists went to Buchanan, Hall and Leeming.

Midget Hornets win close match

Peterborough - Asphodel-Norwood's Stewart Motors midget Hornets jumped out quickly against Peterborough firing in three first period goals to skate away with a 3-2 league win.

Goals by Mark Rumbles, Steve Griffiths and Kyle Patterson were all the team needed as they turned in a steady game that featured solid defensive play.

Jobb Arnold paced the team with two assists while Tyler Spooner and Traivs Grixti added single helpers.

"It was much better than some of our recent efforts where we get outshot two to one," coach Greg Hartwick said of the match.

Sr. White Tykes find the back of the net

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood Auto Centre senior White Tyke Hornets filled the net in two recent outings against Lakefield and Ennismore.

Against the Lakefield Chiefs Dalton Charlebois struck for a natural first period hat trick then added one more in the third for a four goal night in his team's 10-0 victory.

Two-goal snipers included Steven Gerow and Scott Foss while Britney Barnett and Casey Fleming also fire in goals.

Picking up assists for the Hornets were Angela Crowley, Britney, Scott and Steven.

The Hornets also blanked the Ennismore Eagles 9-0 with Scott Foss leading the way with four goals and an assist for a five point match. Steven Gerow and Dalton Charlebois added two goals each with a single goal to Dalton Rimmer, making the move from defence to forward.

Britney Barnett picked up two assists and Steven, Scott and Dalton Rimmer added single helpers.

Zachary Aker backstopped the club to back-to-back shutouts.

Photography, fall seminar main horticultural subjects

By Madeline Simpson

President Jean Tilney welcomed a smaller group than usual to the Nov. 1st meeting of the Campbellford and District Horticultural Society, featuring the annual photography contest on horticultural subjects.

Thanks were extended to those involved in the Pumpkin Contest at Sharpe's IGA parking lot in October.

We were reminded of the Society's participation in the Hospital Auxiliary Bazaar Nov. 13th.

Nancy Boivin explained the procedure of having road signs erected to advertise our plant sales.

Glenn Bennett gave a summary of the Fall Seminar held in Cobourg Oct. 23rd. The roll call was to be an explanation of the millennium project each Society was planning. Our Society won first prize--the only society with a completed project.

The a.m. speaker, Georgina Rose, spoke on "Drying and Pressing Flowers and Leaves."

Caution: Don't use juicy plants; gather specimens while fresh. She showed examples of the use of dried and pressed flowers in decorating wood, shells, lamp shades, jewellery and candles.

The p.m. speaker, Patricia Campbell, a Master Gardener, chose as her topic "Insect Damage and Control." Identify insects or diseases. Check the soil, moisture, fertility, etc., required by the affected plants, bushes or trees. Keep trees and bushes healthy by pruning dead or diseased parts and by removing webs or egg masses.

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Judging of the photography contest was done by Terry Bush and his wife. Terry has a photographic studio in Stirling. His comments on the judging of the 146 entries were very helpful to the photography group.

Things he looked for were impact, focus, composition and framing. Keep the horizon away from the centre of the picture; take at the level of the objects and slightly off-centre. The picture should not be too busy or distracting with no competition with other objects.

Strong rally falls short for midgets

Asphodel-Norwood - A strong rally by the Stewart Motors Midget Hornets against the Tweed Hawks fell just short with the visitors skating away with a narrow 3-2 win.

The Hawks built up a 3-0 lead into the second period before a Greg Ross power play broke the shutout. The Hornets shut down the Hawks in the third then added an unassisted marker by Steve Griffiths to tighten the score.

Rob Van Allen came very close to tying the match with just over two minutes to play in the game.

Picking up assists for the Hornets were Jobb Arnold and mark Rumbles.

Scoring for the Hawks were Andre Dombrowsky, Darren Lajoie and Joe Walsh.

The loss leaves the Hornets' at .500 in league standings with four wins and four ties.

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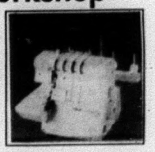
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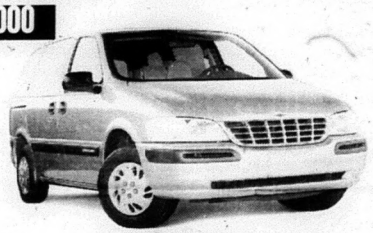

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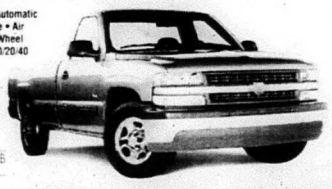

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Please be advised that the Pontiac Buick GMC "Launch Into The New Year" ad that appeared in this publication the week of November 15, 1999 and the week of November 22, 1999 included incorrect information. The 2000 GMC Jimmy 4-Door should *not* have included "Cassette" as a standard option. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

NDHS Council news...

School Council continues to lobby against music policy

By Marg VanWill
(Special to *The Register*)

Asphodel-Norwood - Chairperson Sharon Stanley opened the November meeting of the Norwood District High School Council.

In discussing the business from the minutes of the last meeting it was reported that four volunteers are currently helping in the Grade 8 Reader Assistance program. If you are an interested volunteer and wish more information contact Heather Clayton at **639-5332** Monday to Friday.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding the Grade 8 music program surcharge which the School Council felt was a discriminatory policy since only the schools in the former Peterborough Board were being charged this fee ($20 per student) and those from Northumberland Board (now amalgamated with Peterborough) were free of this fee.

Norwood High must pay $2200 by Dec. 17 with money coming from either the students or from the Intermediate School's budget.

These concerns were forwarded to superintendent Natalie Bohnen in a letter by School Council Chair Sharon Stanley. This letter was also published in the Norwood Register, Hastings Star and Havelock Citizen.

Grade eight parents also received copies of this letter and an information letter from Principal Walt Greenway outlining how they could support the change by writing letters and telephoning local school trustees and the School Board Chair urging them to reverse the situation.

The superintendent is to pass these concerns on to the Board's budget committee. It was stated that Natalie can't change the policy but will find financial support for Norwood.

It was confirmed that a speaker will be at the December meeting to address the "community service" requirements for the grade nine curriculum.

Mr. Greenway reported on the Remembrance Day observance by NDHS students -- a group went to Ottawa to attend the Remembrance Day Service and tour the War Memorial Museum; several classes attended the service at the Norwood Cenotaph and representatives laid wreaths in Norwood and Havelock. A service was also held at the school for the remainder of the staff and students.

The dinner theatre drama production Nov. 19-20 was a great success with students from the school's food classes under the direction of teachers Linda Coons, Jeannine Reid and Joe Fuger providing an exquisite meal. The cast and crew did an outstanding production of this light-hearted mystery-comedy.

Mr. Greenway reported in on-going activities at NDHS including the United Way Dance-a-Thon, Battle of the Bands and basketball and volleyball.

A lay-out plan for redesigning the hard-top area at the back of the school was brought forth; possibilities include -- half-court basketball area, grass area, flowerbeds, picnic tables and a shade tree. It is hoped that the Construction and Horticulture classes will be involved.

Ideas and donations are most welcome!

Vice Principal Mina Murphy gave the "Incidents Report" for the school explaining the reasons behind the suspensions. There have been 48 suspensions to date. Of these nine were for fighting, 13 for aggressive behaviour, six for throwing snowballs, two for lighting matches/fires, two for smoking, three for drug-related incidents, five for rudeness/swearing, five for truancy, three for skipping an administrative detention and one for refusing to work.

Mrs. Murphy said the incidents are much lower this year, especially those involving grade eight students.

There have only been 12 bus reports.

A Co-operative Grade 8 Remembrance Day Wreath was shown. It will be laminated and given to the Royal Canadian Legion for their display.

Report Cards for the Intermediate level will be sent home Nov. 30 with interviews Dec. 2-3.

Brandy's student report was read by teacher Alison Sidowski. The Student Council is meeting to brainstorm ideas to help the Action 2000 Committee and to set the allocation of the chocolate campaign funds which raised $8,100.

Teacher Len Rance reported that work on the greenhouse was progressing slowly but he hoped to take Council members on a tour of the tech. wing during the December meeting to show the major renovations that have taken place.

The School Development Committee's report stated that the cafeteria would be painted during November and December and the "Knight of the Month" will continue with a new format being initiated honouring teams as well as individuals -- possibly at an assembly.

The Guidance report given by Jean Woodburn informed members of the many representatives from universities and colleges that had visited the school to speak to graduates and that trips were taken to Fleming and Loyalist Colleges.

The Secondary School Information Night on Oct. 21 was successful. University-bound students had been involved in a workshop on "application completion and the process was now on for College-bound students.

The Guidance Department has completed in-service with grade nine students on their expectations of community involvement and an in-service of the Tag group with setting goals.

Sharon's report talked about one main item of correspondence she received -- the policy on identifying the steps in a school closure. The negative aspects were discussed of this ever happening in our area and a sub-committee was formed to prepare a response defending keeping smaller schools open. This response will be sent to Bryan Fisher, Superintendent of Administration for the Board.

The next meeting will be Dec. 9 at 7pm with a speaker on requirements for the "community service" requirements of the grade nine curriculum.

Campbellford adopts community safety zones

A letter will be drafted to local schools seeking their help in the funding of signage for a proposed bylaw to designate Community Safety Zones in Campbellford.

The intent of Community Safety Zones is to identify and target parts of roadways where public safety is a special concern. This would include roadways near schools, day care centres, retirement homes or roadways with high accident rates.

In his staff report to Council, Public Works Manager Peter Nielsen said the ability of the local police to effectively enforce a designated zone must be considered when establishing the size of a Community Safety Zone. Signage must be placed at the entrances and exits for zones, allowing a driver to clearly acknowledge where the zone begins and ends. Nielsen estimated an outlay of about $3,000 for signage.

The following locations were recommended for the establishment of Community Safety Zones: Elmore Street (Cockburn Street to Bridge Street); Kent Street (Wellington to Church Street); Ranney Street (Market Street to Front Street); Centre Street (Bridge Street to River Street); Oliver Road (Isabella Street to Major Street); Isabella Street (Oliver Road to Booth Street).

Nielsen's memo said the primary rationale for suggested locations is that all of the roadways represent a public safety concern due to the following facilities:

Nielsen said that once the bylaw is passed by Council and signage is installed, the OPP will be able to enforce any violations within the established Community Safety Zones.

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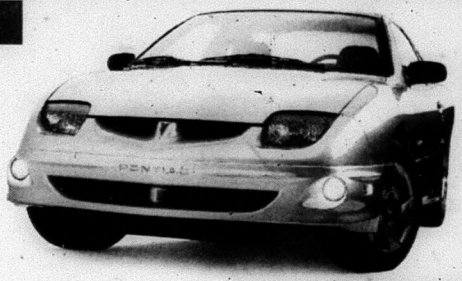

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Everyone loves a parade! Especially one with jolly old Santa Claus

Santa's Helpers On Display--In Campbellford, Santa's helpers wave greetings to spectators lining the streets for the Santa Claus Parade through the downtown. Many observers described the parade as one of the best ever staged by the Chamber of Commerce. ***photo/Rolly Ethier.***

Chatting with Santa: *Christopher and Amanda Merchant had a grand time meeting Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Norwood Town Hall Saturday evening. The famous couple were in town to participate in the annual Santa parade which, for the second year in a row, was held during the evening and attracted a record crowd.* ***Photo/Bill Freeman***

At Olde Woodcrafters Shoppe

Building to last a lifetime goal of new furniture outlet

by Brian Dunning

Plainsfield - A quality piece of furniture should last a lifetime even with day to day use. With mass-production, quality is usually sacrificed in the pursuit of higher profits. Mike Keegan, owner of The Olde Woodcrafters Shoppe, believes in "quality before price." He is determined his custom-built furniture will stand the test of time so it can be passed down from one generation to another.

Research

With this is mind he did extensive research into furniture making and what was available on the market. His research indicated there was an opportunity in the market for high quality furniture. The result he and his wife Linda Opened the Old Woodcrafters Shoppe in Plainsfield earlier this year.

The new store, located in the same building as the Scuttlehole Door Company that Mr. Keegan has operated for the past nine years, offers a full line of furniture. For those looking for a new piece of wood furniture the shop offers oak and pine pieces including harvest tables and chairs, armoires, sleigh beds, entertainment centres or shelf curios.

While anyone with a home workshop can turn out cheap pieces of furniture it takes someone with knowledge of wood and a dedication to detail to produce a quality piece. Mike Keegan has that knowledge.

Kiln-dried wood

To begin with he uses kiln-dried wood, no green wood. Most of his wood comes from Pennsylvania - oak, cherry maple, and pine. Once the customer has decided on the piece of furniture they want, he makes the necessary pieces - frame, doors, panels, etc. Darryl Wilson of Harlowe takes the pieces and actually puts them together using glue and screws. Mike said Darryl, who makes "really detailed kitchens, is one of those guys who care about quality."

The finish put on the furniture is not varnish or varathane, instead they use lacquer. "You can lay a glass on the table for 72 hours and you don't have to worry about it turning white like it (older furniture) used to Mike said.

The drawers of the various pieces are all mounted on full extension sliders which allow them to be pulled to allow access to the back of the drawer.

Uses veneer

Mike does use high-grade veneer on his furniture, although some people think veneer is an indication of a cheap product. Mike points veneer has been around for 100 years and is used on some of the finest wood furniture. The veneer he uses is of plywood grade not made from pressboard.

The veneer is used on panels to give the look of wide boards. Contrary to what many people think wide boards shouldn't be used to make furniture.

Wood is 'alive'

Large panels warp. "Real wood is always taking moisture in and letting moisture out," Mike explains. It doesn't matter if the wood is finished or not.

He went on to say raised panel doors "float" or move. "Wood, it moves. It's alive." Wide pieces will warp. If you use wide pieces you have to make cuts in the back to relieve the stress in the wood.

For example, he said, an eight-inch pine board will eventually warp or split.

"I've got 16 to 20-inch wide boards. People see it and say 'that will make a nice table', - it won't! What eventually will happen is the wood will bow, twist, cup or split."

To get around this problem Mike cuts large boards into smaller widths which he then laminates together to give the look of a wide board.

Unfortunately bigger furniture stores "have taken the art of out making furniture" in the quest for higher profits. "Yes, they've brought the price down, but you get what you pay for," he said.

"I want to build something you can use everyday and that thing will still be there 75 years from now. There's nothing in that piece that will go wrong,' he says of the furniture he makes.

Education

Education is part of his marketing strategy. "What I'm trying to do is educate people they get exactly they pay for in furniture. If you think you're getting a deal - you're not!

That's not to say his furniture is overpriced. He gave an example of where a customer came in with a catalogue containing a picture of a piece of furniture she wanted made. When Mike called the store that put out the catalogue he was told the piece sold for $3,400. "I can make the same piece for $1,500 and still make a small profit."

The people who shop at Olde Woodcrafters Shoppe "know what they want. Price is their last consideration," he said.

He said newlyweds shop at his store for either their first dining room set, armoire or entertainment centre. People retiring and are fixing up their retirement home come in looking for quality furniture.

He said many of his customers are "tried of having their fifth TV stand or fourth table and chair set. They want something that will last."

Mike doesn't make tables and chairs but rather buys them from a Canadian company. He said he researched the company and their product to see if they met his standards.

Mike studied business administration specializing in marketing and distribution. He did extensive research before deciding to open his furniture business. He is developing his own niche - top quality custom-made furniture.

Something different

"It's a hard market to break into. I want to do something different, keep it small, keep the quality. I don't want a 'donut factory' pouring out cheap pieces," said.

His wife Linda manages the shop and she has brought in top of the line crafts and giftware. Linda has prior experience having been an office manager for Wintario for seven years.

The Keegans have two children Michael 7 and Amber 10. She hails from Madoc and he comes from Belleville.

Mike sums it up in his own words, "stop in for a unique shopping experience and remember, a gift of wood lasts forever."

The store is open Monday to Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Sunday noon to 4:00 p.m.

New store offers top quality custom-made furniture

Plainsfield - Mike and Linda Keegan opened a custom furniture store and gift shop earlier this year. The Olde Woodcrafters Shoppe specializes in hand-made, top quality furniture. While the store does have some pieces ready-made for sale customers can order any piece of furniture they want, whether one of their own design or a copy of a piece they may have seen. Mike says he strives to put "quality before price." Linda manages the shop located in the same building as the Scuttlehole Door Co., which opened in 1992. Shown in the background is one of the pieces Mike has creat[illegible]

Parade time:.Members of the Norwood Athletic Association ham it up during Saturday evening's grand Santa Claus Parade in Asphodel-Norwood. This was the second year in a row that the parade was held in the evening and once again the parade route was packed with people who clearly enjoyed the event. ***Photo/Bill Freeman***

Six-point night for unstoppable Will Ridgeway

Asphodel-Norwood - The Norwood Home Hardware bantams turned in a strong performance, especially from Will Ridgeway, during league action against Immaculate Conception.

With Ridgeway chalking up a six-point night on two goals and four assists, the Hornets knocked off I.C. 8-6.

Tyler Heffernan also had a huge night skating away with five points on a pair of goals and three assists. Also adding to the big score were Dan Garden, Brent Begg and Captain J.J. Searle. Patrick Ayotte earned two assists.

Defencemen Cody Shaw, Mike Hickey, Zak Denike and Adam Hunt were impressive during this entertaining match. Mike Fee was also strong in net improving his goals against average significantly.

The Hornets played much better against the Havelock Hawks Sunday night losing a tight 6-5 match. The team showed they really have what it takes scoring three goals in the first from Bryan Scott, Ridgeway and Searle.

Havelock's Kyle Townshend scored the lone marker for the Hawks. Mike Noffke proved a solid wall in net for Norwood holding the Hawks from the score board until late in the first.

A slew of sloppy plays in the second proved to be the undoing for the Hornets allowing the Hawks to come up with five unanswered goals -- two from Kris King and singles from Townshend, Chris Maxwell and Tyler Faux.

After the flood, the Hornets once more stung the Hawks with two more goals from Searle and Brent Begg but couldn't quite close the gap.

Ridgeway picked up four assists while Searle and Scott had two each. Heffernan also picked up an assist.

Bowling the Trent Valley Lanes

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Team Standings--Insiders, 26; Dynamos, 25; Outsiders, 24; Dreamers, 22; Foggy's, 21; Pin Heads No. 2, 19; Devils, 18; Alley Angels, 13.

High Singles Flat--John Locke, 305; Charlie Banks, 278; Shirley Mackie, 241; Earle Nelson, 240; Jean Collard, 197; Marie Bullen, 196.

High Singles With Handicap--John Locke, 339; Charlie Banks, 311; Shirley Dubois, 270; Lloyd Bullen, 268; June Bovay, 262; Shirley Mackie, 253.

High Triples Flat--John Locke, 724; Charlie Banks, 653; Shirley Mackie, 643; Earle Nelson, 633; Marie Bullen, 551; Bonnie Kennedy, 551.

High Triples With Handicap--John Locke, 826; Shirley Mackie, 727; Charlie Banks, 725; Marie Bullen, 689; Earle Nelson, 684; Bonnie Kennedy, 664.

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Heart cath lab

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The Intrepid Snowmobiler

It's a tough job, but...

By Craig Nicholson

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As a writer and broadcaster, I make my living from snowmobiling. Each winter, I ride over 10,000 kilometres in search of entertaining stories, product reviews, breaking trends and great sugar pie. Each spring and summer, I write the articles, columns and scripts that are published or aired the next fall or winter. So it's no wonder that when someone asks me to comment on one of my articles or programs that recently came to their attention, I have trouble remembering.

Each autumn, I tape radio and television programs, and line up dozens of newspapers for my columns. Meanwhile, I seek out a multitude of the latest products, contact numerous tourism offices, and pump lots of people for info. By the end of December, I'm usually so claustrophobic from beeing cooped up in my cluttered office that I'd ride naked in Greenland to get back on the snow again.

Folks speculate that I must live a snowmobiler's dream. If saddle time is the measure, I guest they're probably right--and there's no doubt that I heartily enjoy my snow time. But sometimes, I wish I could just go out and ride, without having to be constantly at work. For most snowmobilers, riding is pure recreation and once they hit the trail, the toughest choices are usually where to go and for how long.

For me, every minute on the snow is irreplaceable. My itinerary is crammed all winter long with tours for every commitment I've made. If anything goes wrong--no snow, a breakdown, illness, sugar pie withdrawal, you name it--I may not be able to make up that tour or deliver on that promise. So I spend most of the fall inspecting, servicing, replacing and organizing my snowmobiling equipment and gear. The rest of the time, I worry about what I may have overlooked. After all, with my many years of advising snowmobilers, how embarassing would it be to be sidelined by a preventable incident whose very cure appeared in one of my recent columns?

Each tour is unique, with specific requirements. So I pack meticulously. Nonetheless, I have arrived for mountain riding in British Columbia without my Goretex® suit. Embarked on a week's trail ride without any underwear. Forgotten my pants. Misplaced my trusty baseball cap, exposing helmet head a la Albert Einstein--and worse, have still been recognized by my photographs!

While on tour, I take photos to accompany my stories. I have learned the hard way to bring extra batteries and film, and who would have expected my camera to fail on tour? What am I supposed to do out there in the middle of the wilderness, draw pictures? What about when bad weather makes taking photos impossible? Or the mercury's so low that my numbed pinkies can't feel the shutter button? Or my glasses are fogged so badly I could be pointing my lens at a tree for all I know. Nice picture of bark, Craig.

Trying out new products can be unpredictable. Sometimes, I can't figure out how to use or install them. Other times, they just don't work. Occasionally, one works very well on its own, but adversely affects something else, like the time I added a pre-studded track to a new suspension. My heat exchanger was soon in shreds, leaving me stranded in the bush.

I've had electrical gizmos dim my headlights so badly buddies thought my sled had died. I've had gadgets that require constant monitoring, measuring, repositioning or adjustment. Sometimes, I have so many new products on board simultaneously that I can't even remember what they are all supposed to do.

Regular readers know that I'm no high tech geek or performance expert. To me, modifications are the changes I make to pack away all my stuff, try new touring products or placate my wife, like remembering to lower the toilet seat. But as you can see, there's much more to snowmobiling for a living than you might have imagined. It's a tough job, but someone's got to do it. And I guess when it comes right down to it, I'd still rather be the one.

Until next time, happy trails, and remember: Protect our environment, stay on the marked OFSC trail. For club or driver training information, call the OFSC at (705) 739-7669. To plan your Ontario tour, phone 1-800-263-SLED.

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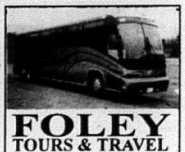

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Hornets goal: *The Norwood Legion Branch 300 juvies needed nine goals to defeat the Frankford Huskies Friday evening. The Hornets are on a tear through the league with an impressive unbeaten streak that includes a win over the only unbeaten team in the juvie loop.* **Photo/Bill Freeman**

Juvie Hornets are tearing up the league

Asphodel-Norwood - After losing their first game of the season 5-4 to the Ennismore Eagles, the Norwood Legion Branch 300 juvies have been tearing up the league chalking up an impressive ten-game unbeaten streak (9-0-1) including a big 8-2 win over the Ernestown Jets.

Norwood played their fiercest competition last Tuesday travelling to Douro to take on the Dukes, the only unbeaten team in the league. After a slow first two periods, Norwood was trailing 2-1 with Jason Begg firing in the lone goal.

After the intermission, and a much-needed pep talk, the Hornets came out flying with a goal in the first two minutes by Mark Murray, with Adam Holland and Scott King assisting.

The Hornets took the lead on a Jeremy Heffernan marker at the 10:03 mark of the third with Murray helping out. The Dukes rallied to tie the score five minutes later only to see the hard-working Hornets come right back with Scott King nailing the game-winner with Heffernan and Murray earning assists.

Juvie notes: The Hornets had to score nine goals to beat the short-staffed Frankford Huskies 9-6 Friday at the Coliseum. Wes Olver led the way for Norwood with three goals and two assists with Mark Murray chipping in a pair of goals. Single markers went to Matt Young, Jason Begg and Rob Sedgwick. Sedgwick and Begg had three assists with Jobb Arnold and Olver adding two helpers. Single assists went to Young, Ben Walsh, Murray and Jeremy Heffernan.

Balanced attack for pee wee Hornets

Asphodel-Norwood - Asphodel-Norwood's Century Roofing pee wee Hornets started strongly and finished strongly a 7-3 win over Peterborough All Saints Nov. 19.

The Hornets built up a 4-0 lead before All Saints cracked the scoreboard. Three Hornet goals in the third period stifled any thoughts of an All Saints come-back.

Gordon Slack and Kevin Gourley paced the Hornets with two goals each while Stuart Graham, Aaron Main and Ian Kennelly added single markers. Sam Chung was a key playmaker with three assists with Kennelly adding two. Single helpers went to Kyle Harding, Bradley Stockdale, Gourley, Slack, Josiah Olver, Raymond Bradley and Will Davis.

Junior tykes roar into season

Asphodel-Norwood - Look out hockey world, the Asphodel-Norwood Woodling Apartments Jr. Tyke Hornets have blazed into their 1999-2000 season.

The young Hornets showed great promise as they dominated their first game Nov. 28 against the Otonabee Wolves.

Coach Tim Klompmaker took to the ice to show them the way and each and every player exhibited talent -- from goalie to defence and forward!

This team on the rise is made up of Christopher Bryett, Evan Calder, Lucas Chartrand, Luke and Jacobi Dufty, Colin Elmhurst, Samuel Gerow, Justin Golloher, Cameron Klompmaker, Ethan and Kevin McDougall, David Moore, Jeff Stockdale, Nicole Terry, Nic Wilford and Joey Walsh.

The team is mentored and encouraged by the dedicated coaching staff of Tim Klompmaker, coach; Pat Wilford, assistant coach; David Bryett, trainer; Brian Gerow, assistant trainer; Len Terry, manager and Annette Klompmaker, assistant manager.

Hornets sting Wolves on Grey Cup day

Asphodel-Norwood - The Grey Cup may have been on T.V., but the big show of the day occurred at the Brethen Coliseum with the Centennial Pharmacy-Birdsall Beach Trailer Park Sr. Black Tykes edging the Otonabee Wolves 6-5.

The tykesters opened the scoring early with Matthew Zenner ripping a laser from inside the blue line to beat the Keene goalie. But then the Wolves replied with four unanswered goals.

The Hornets finally got their act together midway through the third with Steven Walsh denting the twine to bring the score to 4-2. Another Wolves goal a minute later seemed to seal the Hornets' fate but the young squad dug deep with a four-goal onslaught in the remaining five minutes.

Michael Loucks got the big black machine buzzing with a goal at the 5:12 mark followed by goals by Kyle Anderson-Carter and Zenner in the next two shifts to knot the score at 5-5.

Some quick shifts and lots of hustle by all the Hornets resulted in the game-winning goal by Loucks with 1:02 remaining.

Matthew Nelson was strong between the pipes for the Hornets keeping the team in the game and allowing them time to come together for the rally. He denied the Wolves many breakaways and scrambles until the Hornets could mount their comeback.

Hornet notes: Although the Hornets seemed to go through the motions for the first two periods strong games were turned in by Blake Anderson and Shane Carthew on defence. Brandon Kingston played a super game on left wing...**Shane Carthew** earns **player of the week** honours as he was instrumental in keeping the Wolves in check throughout the game with strong back-checking and he was an iron curtain on the blue line in the offensive end. Shane is in his second year with the Hornets and has been placed in various positions this year. His dedication, good listening skills and strong work ethic make him a coach's dream. Keep up the good work Shane!

Bowling pins defeat Monday nighters

By Art Sels

Hastings - The Monday Night Norwood bowling team had a hard time knocking down the pins down last week. It was an evening where some bowlers seemed to have the pins fall before the ball arrived and others had a hard time knocking any down.

There are nights that it seems someone used crazy glue to keep the corner pins from falling. You hit them and they rock 'n roll but keep standing up.

Results from action between the gutters at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings Nov. 29 included high single performances by Pat Wilford with 228, 216, 212; Art Sels with 204, 166, 149; Adam Barrons with 199, 150; Ron Zenner with 197, 180, 146; Laurie Zenner with 194, 157, 140; Marie Garden with 184; Ellwood Sweeting with 183; Helen Wilford with 172, 166; Ann Cutmore with 160; Pat Thiele with 159; Fran Heffernan with 155, 140 and Muriel Stewart with her 146.

High triples went to Pat Wilford with 656; Ron Zenner with 523; Art Sels with 519; Laurie Zenner with 491; Adam Barrons with 478; Helen Wilford with 459; Ellwood Sweeting with 455; Marie Garden with 453; Fran Heffernan with 427; Pat Thiele with 421; Ann Cutmore with 417; Muriel Stewart with 398 and Harry Wilford with his 388.

Westwood had Linda Cardwell bowling 317, 680 and joining the **300 Club.** Terry Chapman with 290, 832; John Glenn with 270, 619; John Messacar with 259, 764; Paul Cardwell with 231, 600; Malcolm Pacey with 230, 625; Dale McColl with 206; Helen Ward with 205; Ruby Hie with 190; Fred Sauder with 186; Kim Kay with 183; John Gilmour with 179; Lyn Miller with 177; Don Henry with 173; Derrick Kavish with 165 and Jeanne Kavish with her 156.

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Ladies High Triples: Jean Kruse, 536; Loretta Bell, 513; Colleen Little, 503

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MINOR HOCKEY REPORT

by Sherri Carman

On a recent road trip our Atom AE Grizzlies took part in a tournament hosted by Campbellford. The first game of the day was actually played against the hosting Colts. The Grizzlies were still snoozing and lost to the home team. It was a different story when they took on Frankford for their second game. This Frankford team is a strong bunch of hockey players but the Grizzlies were wide awake going into this match. The scoring opened up half way through the first period with an unassisted goal from Joshua Bird. Deep into the second Frankford scored their first of the game and our guys answered back a minute later, Brad Coe banged this one home with assists going to Cody Clifford and Dan Limin. Frankford tied it up before the end of the period. The third period was intense, the clock read 8:02 when Darryl English scored the go-ahead goal with help from teammates Ian McNabb and Kyle Chamberlain. The clock read 8:35 when Frankford tied things up again and this one went into overtime! The five minute sudden death had barely begun when Steve Ferguson tapped the winner in, unassisted. This Atom team had a great day and brought home the B runner up trophy for their efforts.

The first entry Atoms hosted Deseronto on Sunday, November 21st. The first period was dominated by our own Grizzlies, they took two scoring opportunities, Anthony Tapper posted the first and Tyson Terrion the next, both were unassisted. In the second the Grizzlies kept up the pressure and posted the only goal of that period, Travis Hughes racked this one passed up by Anthony Tapper and Jarrod Cassidy. Late in the game C.H. padded the lead with a goal from Anthony Tapper, assisted by Jarrod Cassidy. Deseronto started their comeback a little late in the third and this one ended in a 4-1 decision. Hats off to goaltender, Darcy Welch, who continues to put on a great show in the net.

Monday, November 22nd the Peewee AE went up against Stirling, on Madoc ice. The first period of play ended with neither team getting on the board. Early in the second the action got underway. Matt Holland started things off for the Grizzlies assisted by Willie Dawes and Mike Gushue. Stirling came right back seconds later but the tie didn't last long, Anthony Halliday popped this one in with help from James Gushue and Tyler Mumby. Late in the second Stirling took advantage of a power play and we were back to square one. With minutes left in the period Dillon Carman let loose a slap shot, from centre ice, that left the Stirling goaltender a little rattled and Centre Hastings was ahead by one. The Grizzlies thought they had them, in the third, when Jeff McCann found the mark passed up by Justin Black and Brennan Vezina. It wasn't to be and by the end of the period Stirling had trickled in two goals to end this battle 4 to 4.

The Bantam AE played Belleville on November 22nd in an exhibition game. By the end of the second the Belleville team was ahead 2-0 and things didn't look good for our guys. After the flood it was a different hockey team that emerged from the dressing room, they were out for blood. Belleville padded the lead early in the third and then the Grizzlies took over the game. Luke Burnside started the scoring assisted by Brad Morton and Mike Stein. A minute later Brian Coe blistered one in off the stick of Mike Stein. Scott Spencer made it a tie game at 7:59 assisted by Chris Sawicki. Belleville got the go ahead goal deep in the period. The Grizzlies poured it on and in the last minute of play won the game 5-4! Goals were posted by Mike Stein and Luke Burnside, assists went to Brad Morton and Chris Sawicki. Wow.

Last Sunday, the 28th, the Tykes went up against the Frankford Huskies on Marmora ice. The home team got on board early in the game with an unassisted goal from Brandon Danford. In the second, these little Grizzlies padded their lead with a beauty goal from Stephanie Halliday off the stick Brandon Danford. Third period action was as one-sided and our guys just kept on scoring. Cole Bolton slapped in an unassisted goal at 10:42 and Brandon Danford posted the final goal of the game assisted by Stephanie Halliday and Austin Cowan. It was a sweet 4-0 victory for the team and earned Haydn McInroy a well deserved shut-out.

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How to feed livestock in the year 2000

by Christoph Wand

For all producers that use ration formulation software, the following question needs to be asked - are your computer programs year 2000 (Y2K) compliant? Regardless of the origin of the software, this is a question that you should address well before December.

If a program (and your computer itself) will not function normally after New Year's Eve, it is best to be prepared for this eventuality now! Probably the best and simplest precaution would be to send all of your feed samples for analysis now (or as soon as harvest is completed). Next, formulate any anticipated rations immediately upon the return on the results. Print them off and file them! If your ration balancing abilities fail over the Y2K problem, you will have the information in hand in terms of rations required, this will allow you several extra months to acquire new software.

How will you know if your formulation is compliant? Contact the organization that developed the program (check manuals or start-up screens). Ration formulation programs developed by OMAFRA in the past will not be fully compliant and may not function after December 31, 1999. As a result they are being officially retired. These include OMAF Dairy Ration Formulation Program and the OMAF Beef Ration Formulation Program which have alternatives commercially available that are technically more current as well as Y2K compliant. Only the OMAF Sheep Ration Formulation Program will be updated and re-released in 2000 due to its technical uniqueness. Details on this project will be available in December.

Obituaries

Lee R. Dafoe

On November 20th, 1999 Mr. Lee Dafoe passed away at his home in Gilmour. He was in his 81st year.

Born in Coe Hill to the late Jane (Neal) and Robert Dafoe, Mr. Dafoe lived his entire life in Gilmour. He was a member of the United Church.

He will be dearly missed by sons Reginald Dafoe of St. Ola and Kenneth Dafoe of Gilmour. Proud grandfather of five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Dearly remembered by sisters Rose Olimer of Orillia; Clara McLean of Listowell; Marjorie Bruce of Milbridge; Mona Kelly of L'Amable and Eula Malloy of L'Amable.

Funeral services were held on November 23rd at 1 p.m. at the McConnell Funeral Home in Madoc. Interment followed at Gilmour Cemetery with Reverend Leslie McMurray officiating.

Pall bearers were nephews Glen Cooney, Keith Poulain, Brian Poulain, Pierre Poulain, brother-in-law Leo Poulain, and friend Boyd Walker.

Deline and OPP

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mon denominators."

Councillor Larry Mitz, who had also attended the meeting, stated, "I don't think there's much danger of the facility going anywhere but in the Highways 7 and 62 area. I don't think there's anything that either Marmora or Tweed has that they can provide that we can't."

Schulz added he thought the OPP would show some type of preference as to where they would like the facility to be located.

Deline added he had provided Mitz with a document outlining building specifications that the OPP would need an existing or new building to meet.

"In order to take any facility and upgrade it to this document, it's going to cost them almost as much as it is to build a new one and we have people who are willing to build it here and now," Mitz commented.

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Centre Hastings Secondary School News

by Jennifer Alexander and Chloe Smith

Hilary Weston, the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, held a reception to celebrate the Ontario Forestry Association's 50th Anniversary on November 26th in Toronto. Three CHSS student representatives from last year's Environmental Co-op program were chosen to present a Christmas tree to Weston. The co-op students who were chosen were: Albert Stoffers, Adam Woolfrey, Allison Mitchell. Hilary Weston stated at the reception, "These students are the environmental leaders of tomorrow."

CHSS' annual Teacher Challenge took place on December 2nd. The theme tied in with Pickle Week and the teachers ran through a funny obstacle course.

On December 3rd the Environmental Science grade 11 and 12 classes went to participate in the Ministry of Environment's deer drive held at Presqu'ille Park. More details to come next week!

CHSS is very community oriented. As a school we participate in several community functions, such as rake-a-thon, Crime Stoppers and the food bank. But with the new millennium fast approaching Centre Hastings Intramural Council is reaching out a hand to a community in another country. CHIC will be fostering a young child through the Foster Parents plan. The details of the child are not yet known, but we are awaiting for the information to arrive within the next week. Throughout the year we will be holding fundraisers to raise money for the child. More details will be released soon.

Coming events at CHSS include the Christmas Music Concert featuring the senior band, jazz band and the CHSS vocal ensemble. The concert will be held in the main gym on Thursday the 9th of December. Also, on December 10th is the semi-formal. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Also, last Thursday mid-term report cards were sent home with every student. Please call the school if you have any problems.

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Dry hydrants

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permit for Rawdon Creek. Locke said it wasn't in the Quinte Conservation system but Mitz pointed out it may be in the Lower Trent Region Conservation Authority area and, just for safety, he had better check.

"It seems to be a perfect location," Locke said concerning the Moira Lake hydrant. "We did look at a first location, it took us a year to study this because we had to check the water level and we had to check weeds and all that. Originally we wanted to put it over by the boat launch but there was insufficient water level and too many weeds and we would have had to go out too far to get the depth." Locke explained they took another look at it and decided to move it over to the old railroad bed.

Locke explained the hydrant's pipe only goes out about thirty feet into the lake and the department is able to back the truck up to the hydrant and draft the water from the lake. The hydrant is gravity fed and when the trucks are done sucking up the needed water the water flows back out of the pipe so the pipes won't freeze.

Councillor Creighton Harrop moved that council approve the proposal for both dry hydrants, subject to the conservation authority's approval, and Mitz seconded the motion.

When it came time to discuss budget Locke stated he was happy to report the department was "back on track."

He explained they had an officer's meeting a few nights back and they had used this year's budget as a guideline for the 2000 budget.

When Councillor Harrop asked Locke how the department had worked their budget out Reeve Deline said, "What they've done is moved hours from one area to another. It's just like we do, they've robbed Peter to pay Paul. For example, they're way over in fires this year, which is understandable, so they just reduced other areas to balance it out."

Locke agreed with Deline and added, "I was concerned about fire calls this year, I predicted 120 calls this year and we're sitting right now at 115."

Deline, when told there has been 75 calls in the north and 40 in the south, asked Locke how many of those calls were medical assists and was told approximately 55%.

Deline asked Locke if he met with his officers to discuss budget issues. Locke assured him they do and they are all aware of the overall budget and where hours are being spent.

Hydro utility

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vice really. I don't know what the hell we can do. I don't know."

Roger Snider noted, "I'm a little sceptical when you're dealing with a company that's over $30 billion in debt."

When residents asked why the municipality hasn't simply amalgamated with other local utilities Deline noted they have approached area municipalities such as Tweed, Stirling-Rawdon and Marmora and none seemed interested in amalgamating.

Deline explained municipalities will be buying their hydro on a commodity market in six and twelve month intervals and they have to estimate the total hydro you'll need. Should they use less than they bought they'll still have to pay for it and should they buy too little they may have to purchase the rest at a premium.

Councillor Creighton Harrop pointed out the heat wave that swept through the southern United States, where it is an open market for hydro, and some utilities had to pay premium price for electricity to make up for all the energy being used up by air conditioners. Harrop also added that after hearing people's concerns he believed the municipality should wait before they sell.

Councillor Larry Mitz told the crowd, "We're not hydro experts or commodity experts. I detest being forced into something like this. We keep being told we're too small but I hope we can find out differently." He too felt the municipality should wait.

Deputy Reeve Walton Reid also said they should wait and added, "We've got to listen to the people."

In the end it was decided a committee consisting of residents would look into other viable options and the sale of the utility would be delayed until they reported back to council sometime early in the coming year. The members of that committee include Reeve Deline, Wally Sawkins, Jeff Brett, John Wagner, Karen Nickle, Alan Danford, Mike Ryan and Beverly Bailey.

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Local municipalities will meet to discuss amalgamation

by W. Brice McVicar

When it comes to amalgamation and restructuring Centre Hastings Reeve Tom Deline said his council are willing to talk with anyone.

Deline said this as various municipalities in the region will be attending a meeting to discuss the prospect of amalgamation sometime early in the new year.

"Anything's a possibility," Deline noted. "As I've said a couple times, our official stand was Centre Hastings outside the county which would be Tweed to Marmora. Basically what it would be would be Tweed, Centre Hastings, Madoc Township, Stirling-Rawdon, Marmora Village and Marmora and Lake Township. That was our initial preference but I think our council now is prepared to look at staying within the county if the county restructures internally a bit."

Deline added he felt the county may look into putting a few smaller communities together and said they may do to reduce the number of municipalities at the county level and because it would be an evolution. He said he couldn't be sure that if a provincial commissioner was called in they would not end up as part of a bigger city. While that may be the best way to go financially Deline said he didn't feel the rural people are totally ready to be part of a larger operation.

Deline said he would have no problem talking with Madoc Township about amalgamation. Madoc Township was one of a number of municipalities that attended a meeting on amalgamation last month which has since resulted in a resolution from Marmora and Lake Township to call in a commissioner to look into restructuring involving those municipalities who attended the meeting.

"*I personally think it* would be a good match-up," Deline said concerning Madoc Township and Centre Hastings. "I personally really don't want to be involved in a single tiered structure at the county level without all the little municipalities and making it one government at the county level including North Hastings because I think the North Hastings community has their own unique concerns and cares and ways of doing business. They're really totally different from ours."

Marmora Village Reeve Wilma Bush, however, stated, "I would like to see one tier government and, I'm speaking personally now, but I'd like to see one tier, I don't know how the rest of council feels."

Reeve Bush stated the meeting her municipality called for in the new year will include Madoc Township, Centre Hastings, Stirling-Raydon, Marmora and Lake, Tweed, Belleville, and Quinte West. She added just because the two cities are invited does not necessarily mean they're interested in amalgamating but they may have good advice to lend.

"We tried once before," Bush said concerning holding the meeting. "That was just a closed meeting because we didn't want anybody grandstanding us and that's exactly what would have happened. We want to go larger and it didn't work *out talking with just* Marmora and Lake Township and we know now that wouldn't have worked anyway." Bush said she attended the meeting called by Marmora and Lake held at Madoc Township but she doesn't agree with going with those northern municipalities unless the whole county is involved. Bush said she does not believe the government will be happy with two or three smaller municipalities, she said she believes they will want a much larger amalgamation.

At the meeting held last month in Madoc Township Bush stated she was not interested in amalgamating with those northern municipalities and said she still

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Grizzlies duke it out with Brighton: *The Centre Hastings Grizzlies Peewees hosted the Brighton Braves on Monday evening. The game was filled with action but the home team lost the match. In the above photo Brandon Vezina, assisted by Jeff McCann, slipped the puck into the Brighton net at 8:40 in the second.* ***/Photo by W. Brice McVicar***

Community Trust alarmed over increased need

by W. Brice McVicar

Board members of the Centre Hastings Community Trust Fund have expressed alarm over the increased need this year compared to last.

Chairman Mark Lucas explained the Trust Fund has seen an increase of approximately 50 percent and last month alone was one of the worst months they have seen.

"We gave out $2,200 during the month of November to assist families with heat, oil, hydro and other necessities," Lucas stated pointing out that was an increase of roughly $1,100 from last year. "Where it's hurting the most is that we're getting an increased demand from people who are just entering the work-force."

Lucas explained they are seeing a great deal of people who are helped through Ontario Works but are in low-paying jobs that offer no benefits. He added if something drastic happens and these people need dental work or medicine it can throw off their budget and bills fail to get paid.

"We helped one individual who needed some dental work because they were an up-front individual and the employer insisted they get their teeth fixed but they had to pay for it out of their pocket. We shared the costs on that because they would have lost their job otherwise," Lucas pointed out. "If people get behind in their rent sometimes we'll negotiate with the landlord. Quite often if they're behind in their rent they're also behind in their hydro and sometimes we can pick up the cost of the hydro bill which gives them a little extra to give to the landlord. It may not be everything they owe but quite often in a sign of good faith he'll let them try to catch up."

Lucas noted the Centre Hastings Community Trust Fund deals with these people through the Ontario Works office in Madoc because of the privacy issue. He stressed they do not need to know who the people are because they are all protected under the Privacy Act. The area covered by the Centre Hastings Community Trust Fund goes to the Belleville city limits, west to Marmora, east to Tamworth and just north of Eldorado.

"We're in the process of applying for charitable status so we'll be able to issue receipts probably next year. Right now we get money from churches, service groups, individuals, and we'll take money from businesses... anybody," he explained. "The important thing for this organization is that we do get that 80 percent subsidy for people who are receiving social assistance. What will happen sometimes is that if the service agency who has an individual who needs assistance they'll refer them to us and then make a donation. We can help them and then we get at least 80 percent of the money back." Lucas added this entices service groups to donate money because they know that their dollar will only cost about 20 cents and then the government kicks in the other 80 cents.

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Man dies in Highway 7 accident

One man is dead after a fatal accident that took place last Saturday, December 4 on Highway 7 just west of Madoc.

The vehicle was westbound when it left the highway, travelling onto the north shoulder and into a swamp filled with approximately four to five feet of water. The vehicle was found on its side, partially submerged in the water by OPP officers and the local fire department. One OPP officer entered the water and, with the assistance of members of the fire department and other civilians, was able to upright the vehicle and free the driver.

The lone male occupant was transported to the Campbellford Hospital but was dead on arrival.

Deceased is 28-year-old Paulo T. Monk of Scarborough, Ontario. The cause of the accident remains under investigation with the assistance of an OPP Technical Traffic Accident Investigator.

Senior Constable Dan Garlick, members of the Madoc Fire Department and the civilians are to be commended for their actions.

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Dates set for Grower Pesticide Safety Courses

by Mark Leahy

Growers wishing to certify for a Grower Pesticide Safety Course Certificate have some opportunities in the new year. This includes anyone wishing to re-certify. A person must have a valid certificate in order to purchase, apply, store and/or dispose of any Schedule 1,2 or 5 pesticide on the farm.

If your card expired before October 1998, you must take a one day course and write an exam. A person applying for a certificate for the first time must do the same. If your card expired after October 1998, you can take the course and write the exam or write the exam only. The passing mark if 75 percent. The study manual can be picked up ahead of time.

At the OMAFRA office in Brighton, one day courses are available on February 3 and March 9, 2000. An exam only is available on February 29 at 1 p.m. A one day course is scheduled for January 18 at the Stirling Legion. Exam only is on February 8 at 10:30 a.m. At the Bloomfield Town Hall, courses are offered January 25 and March 7. Exam only is February 15 at 1 p.m.

All one day courses are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. To register, contact the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affair Field Office at 1-800-262-2885. Bring a lunch. Refreshments will be provided.

$200 raised, not $63,700

For those of you that think last week's statement that the Friends of the Library have raised $63,700 through the IGA tapes we're sorry, that's incorrect. In fact, how it works is that for every $300 in tapes the library receives $1. The $63,700 is how much the IGA tapes have added up to, that means the library will get approximately $212.

OPP Report

Centre Hastings O.P.P. report that a Gilmour resident found a small amount of money on his front lawn on Weslemkoon Road on December 4th.

If anyone lost money in this area they are asked to call Centre Hastings OPP at 473-4234 to claim it.

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"For people who want to help out people who are receiving social assistance it's really the best place for them to put their money because of that every dollar that we use we get eighty cents back from the government when we help someone on social assistance," Lucas commented.

OPP Report

Tweed - Centre Hastings OPP were called to Dellar's IDA Drug Store located on Victoria Street in regards to the theft of jewellery last week. Unknown persons removed a quantity of gold chains and charms.

The jewellery was kept in a small display case at the front of the store.

Anyone with knowledge of this theft is asked to call the Centre Hastings OPP at 473-4234 or Crime Stoppers.

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December's Madoc Township Council minutes

Madoc Township held a regular council meeting on December 6th, 1999. Deputy Reeve Robert Sager was absent from the meeting.

Burris moved and Robinson seconded that the minutes from the October 25th meeting (regular November meeting) be approved as circulated. Carried.

Mr. Ted Sexsmith attended Council to question the provisions of the Minimum Separation Distance of the current zoning by-law. He was interested in selling a piece of property but was concerned as to whether there would be a problem with separation distances between an existing barn and house. The Clerk advised that the by-law is written such that it is open to interpretation and requires clarification or amendment to eliminate such subjective interpretation. Council advised that they would pursue the matter and respond to Mr. Sexsmith. He thanked Council and was given leave of the meeting.

The Road Superintendent attended Council to report on the activities of his department for the past month. He recommended a change in the stop signs at the two intersections of Scotch Settlement Road and O'Hara Road. The north intersection would eliminate a yield sign and the south intersection would stop traffic travelling easterly rather than the southerly traffic on O'Hara Road.

Robinson's motion that the Clerk prepare appropriate by-laws to alter the stop signs and flow of traffic at the intersection of Scotch Settlement Road and O'Hara Road was seconded by McCoy and carried.

Burris seconded McCoy's motion than an ad be placed in the local newspapers advising the public about the by-law that does not permit placing snow or parking on the Township roads. Carried.

The Road Superintendent discussed other items with Council including proposed construction projects for next year and the readiness of the tractor in case it's required for the generator system.

Robinson moved and McCoy seconded that the report of the Chief Building Official be approved as presented. Carried.

Burris moved that the report of the Animal Control Officer be adopted as presented. Robinson seconded and it was carried.

A motion that the Clerk write Mrs. D. Willemsen regarding the proposed streetlighting on Wellington Street to advise her that the pole belongs to the municipality of Centre Hastings and it would be necessary to contact them regarding any lighting on that pole was moved by McCoy and seconded by Robinson. Carried.

McCoy seconded Robinson's motion that the Township support the resolution of the County of Hastings regarding the transfer of hunt camps to private owners on Crown land. Carried.

Robinson seconded the motion by Burris that the Council continue their support of the Centre Hastings Snowmobile Club. Carried.

Robinson moved and McCoy seconded that the Clerk write a letter to the Principal of Madoc Public School recognizing their accomplishment in participating in the Elementary School Milk Program. Carried.

The motion that Graeme Burris be appointed as the Madoc Township representative on Quinte Conservation for the year 2000 was made by Robinson, seconded by McCoy and carried.

Robinson moved that the Clerk receive and file the items of correspondence. Burris seconded. Carried.

McCoy seconded Burris' motion that the minutes of the Madoc Township Recreation Committee be approved as circulated. Carried.

Robinson moved and Burris seconded that the minutes of the Centre Hastings Public Library Board be approved as circulated. Carried.

A motion was made by McCoy that the minutes of the Madoc and District Recreation Centre be approved as circulated. The motion was seconded by Robinson and carried as such.

A motion that the accounts of the municipality be paid as per voucher for the period ended November 30th in the total amount of $129,021.57 was made by McCoy, seconded by Burris and carried.

Robinson moved that the Business Community Plan of the Township of Madoc is adopted by Council for use by the municipality. Burris seconded the motion. Carried.

McCoy seconded Burris' motion that Council petition the Ministry of Transportation for illumination of the Bannockburn Road and Highway 62 as per the drawings submitted to Council in the interests of safety for both motorists in the built up area and pedestrians in Bannockburn. Carried.

McCoy moved to go into by-laws. With Burris seconding the motion was carried.

By-laws: 1023-99 - three readings to enter into encroachment agreement. Carried.

McCoy moved and Robinson seconded that council resume. Carried.

The motion that turkeys be distributed to staff as a bonus for Christmas was made by McCoy and seconded by Burris. Carried.

McCoy moved and Robinson seconded that the Livestock Valuer's reports be approved as submitted. Carried.

Members discussed a number of other topics prior to adjournment at 3:20 p.m.

Planning for the future shall require an investment in pre-schoolers

by Brian Dunning

Tweed - New research in human development indicates the first six years of life are critical to society as a whole. If there are not substantial changes forthcoming in Canada's focus on child development, we face substantial problems in the next 25 years.

While more money must be allocated to early childhood development strategies government should not be the sole source for such funding. This was the basic message to those attending a community focus group here on December 6th at the Gateway Community Health Centre, (GCHC).

The Centre, in partnership with the Southeastern Ontario District Health Council, (SODHC), sponsored the forum for residents of Central Hastings and the Land O' Lakes. About a dozen people attended, were mothers, many of who work for various child support groups.

Jack Lichter, senior health planner with SODHC, who chaired the session and myself were the only males present. Others attending the meeting included Janet Comis, Executive Director of the Social Planning Council of Kingston and Area; Christina E. Salavantis, an independent researcher who did follow up interviews on the Early Years Study; Shirley Boston, chair of the Children's Wellness Task Force; Janice Goodhand, GCHC executive-director and Lori Wagner, outreach worker at GCHC.

The real Brain Drain

The focus group's mandate was drawn by a study conducted by co-chairs Dr. Fraser Mustard and the Hon. Margaret McCain entitled Early Years Study. It's subtitled is The Real Brain Drain. The final report of the study was presented to the provincial government in February of this year.

While there has been much in the news lately of Canadian-educated people moving to other countries to work - termed the Brain Drain - this study indicates a lack of understanding and commitment to the early physical development of the human brain is The Real brain drain.

Ms. Comis said when the Premier first approached the authors of the study about conducting it, they made it plain to him the study would have to be non-political. "They made sure it would cross all party lines," she said.

In fact one of the main thrusts of all speakers was that committing to early childhood development must transcend political party ideology, must involve all levels of government and, just as importantly, involve the private sector and local communities.

In her opening remarks Ms. Comis said research has shown women who suffer from depression have experienced an unstable environment between the ages of 0 and 6. Males showing aggressive behaviour also probably experienced the same poor stability at that age range coupled with a negative parent example. Which is another way of saying an abusive father.

She used these examples to explain how life experiences at an early age can lead to negative life experiences later.

Brain development

New research supports this view. According to the study, "how the brain develops hinges on a complex interplay between the genes you are born with and the experiences you have.

"Early experiences have a decisive impact on the architecture of the brain and on the nature and extent of adult capabilities."

Simply put, by the time you are six years old how you relate to situations, people and, most importantly, education has pretty well been determined. That's not to say such early handicaps cannot be overcome, it just gets harder.

The 182-page report is too extensive to go into any great detail, but for those parents who want a copy they can inquire by calling 1-800-668-9938, (toll free).

Stirling Financial Centre Blues

The Blues had their latest win streak snapped by the visiting Bancroft Jets.

The game was uneventful from a scoring standpoint but both teams had plenty of opportunities. The Blues started the first period strongly but were unable to capitalize.

After two scoreless periods, Stephen Jackett put a wrist shot from the side boards past a surprised Jets netminder three minutes into the third period. It looked like the Blues were going to make that stand up but errors in their own end in the final five minutes of the game led to two Bancroft goals that the Blues could not answer.

Final score was 2 to 1 in favour of Bancroft.

The next day in Brighton the Blues were determined not to get a good scoring start.

Brandon Robinson got things going early with a nice move on a Brighton

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Photo/Bill Freeman

Rebels bounce Flyers but still below .500 mark

The third-place Campbellford Rebels are still struggling slightly below the .500 mark, failing to gain any ground with a split in last weekend's Empire B Hockey League action.

Rebels jumped into a 4-1 first period lead and stayed in command the rest of the way in a 7-4 victory over the North Frontenac Flyers in the Saturday, Dec. 4th outing on home ice. But 24 hours later, Rebels travelled to Port Perry and returned home 6-4 losers at the hands of the Mojaks.

North Frontenac looked extremely inept in the first period and only the acrobatics of goalie Sean Brophy prevented the Rebels from making it a rout. However, the Flyers showed true grit to shave the Rebel lead to 5-4 in the third period before the Rebels settled the issue with two late goals.

Anthony Davies, turning in one of his strongest efforts of the season, potted his third of the night with 6:45 left, capitalizing on a power play for the Rebels. And then with 2:44 remaining, Jamie McComb's second of the night clinched the 7-4 verdict. Adam Brown also scored twice for the Rebs.

North Frontenac marksmen were Ben Nichols, Alex Bowes, Matt Lowe and Sean Bagshaw.

Hold 4-3 Lead

Rebels took a 4-3 lead with them into the final period at Port Perry only to have the Mojaks completely dominate the final period with three unanswered goals.

Midday through the frame, Jay Simmons took passes from Jeff Clarke and Adam Jones to put the Mojaks on even terms. Less than two minutes later Jones fired the eventual game-winner with help from Shane Norton and Dale Drummond. The clincher came with 23 seconds left, the Mojaks shorthanded and the Rebels playing with their goalie out. Matt Thurston fired an empty-netter to send the Rebels home with their 10th loss of the season against nine victories.

Rebels are off skates this weekend before travelling to Picton Thursday, Dec. 16th to face the front-running Pirates, returning home to face the vaunted Lakefield Chiefs Dec. 18th at 8 p.m.

Rough Stuff!

Pinned To Boards--A Campbellford Rebel player rubs his North Frontenac Flyer opponent into the boards behind the Campbellford net. Rebels emerged with a 7-4 victory in the Dec. 4th Empire League junior C contest.
photo/Rolly Ethier.

Twp. of Asphodel-Norwood...

Council supports large truck safety resolution

Endorses position by public interest group

Asphodel-Norwood - Township Council has endorsed a resolution crafted by the public interest CRASH (Canadians for Responsible and Safe Highways) group opposing longer trucks and an increase in weekly hours logged by drivers.

The resolution also calls for municipalities to have a greater say in federal and provincial discussions on trucking standards because those policies directly affect local infrastructure and safety issues.

"I somehow feel this municipality ought to take a look at this," Township Reeve Doug Pearcy said of the resolution.

In the past five years, CRASH says, both levels of governments have downloaded a number of transportation responsibilities and cost to the municipal level, the latest being Ontario's transfer of 5700 kilometres of secondary highways.

Even with this shift, they say that local municipalities have very little say of input on government trucking policies that affect local infrastructure and safety.

CRASH is concerned with lobbying efforts within the industry to allow trucks on the road that are 50 per cent longer and to increase driver working weeks by up to 40 per cent.

"Giant multi-trailer trucks and tired drivers make a dangerous cocktail," says CRASH executive director Bob Evans.

The organization points to Saskatchewan and Alberta where longer trucks and working weeks are allowed.

In those provinces, Mr. Evans says, the big truck crash death rate is 40 per cent higher than the national average.

"The trucking industry is proposing to operate trucks that are up to 130 ft. long compared to the current Ontario limit of 82 ft.," he says. "These longer

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Out-of-control car nearly hits R.I.D.E. team

Asphodel-Norwood - Quick action by Kawartha OPP R.I.D.E. team members prevented serious injuries after a speeding car went out of control in the spot check area set up in the Township over the weekend.

The vehicle had swerved to avoid hitting a parked car and police officers were able to move out of the way as the vehicle spun into a nearby ditch.

Charged with careless driving is Todd James Crossley, 20, of Indian River.

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Safety resolution endorsed

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multi-trailer trucks do not meet national safety performance standards and are more difficult to steer and control."

He says this would pose an increased risk to all road-users and damage to municipal infrastructure.

CRASH is also lobbying against any increase in the number of hours that a driver would be allowed to work in one week. Currently, trucking companies cannot work their drivers more than an average 60 hours a week.

"Trucking associations," Mr. Evans says, "are requesting governments to increase this to 80 or more hours every week.

"A scientific expert panel commissioned by Transport Canada finds that a 70-hour week could reduce truck driver sleep by 12 hours a week and an 84-hour week even more," he says.

"Less sleep means more sleep-impaired driving and fatigue-related crashes. Driving a large truck is hard enough when you are alert. Sleep impairment makes it even harder."

CRASH notes that the Ontario Transportation Ministry says it will cost $2.6 billion to upgrades to municipal bridges to handle current truck weights so having local input on discussions affecting policy changes is important.

In a report released last April, CRASH gives Ontario a barely "passing grade" on big truck safety.

"Although Ontario scored above the average for its commitment to improve big truck safety, the province still failed in two of seven safety criteria," Mr. Evans said, "and has the worst record for big truck safety defects in the country.

"On average, big truck collisions in Ontario kill 180 and injure 4500 people a year."

Mr. Evans says the key reason for the poor state of truck safety is that the Federal government is not using its constitutional authority and responsibility to implement and enforce national trucking safety standards.

"The Federal government did not implement Ontario's proposal for mandatory safety audits of big truck operations," he pointed out.

"The trucking industry has also expressed concerns about the lack of consistency of trucking standards in different provinces. Long-haul trucking has simply out-grown the ability of any one province to regulate trucks crossing its borders."

On the hockey scene...

Houseleaguers rev up their engines

Asphodel-Norwood - Well, it was another exciting week of NHL houseleague hockey as ever with the Crowley-Knights facing off with the Philadelphia Flyers skating to a tough 1-1 draw Dec. 1.

Crowley-Knights defensive stars Andy Nelson and David Fuller had an exceptional evening. James John and Josh and Matt Clouston also showed great skating skills.

The only Crowley-Knights' goal was by Cory Morgan assisted by Derek McGowan. The Philly defence kept the game interesting.

On Dec. 4 the Archer Trucking crew met the Flyers with the Archers skating to a 5-3 win. The victors got goals from Jordan Stockdale, Michael Gerow and Mike Gilmour with assists to Justin Allen and Bruce Cardwell. Goalie Matt Keeping had a great game.

In Havelock on Dec. 5, the Archers squared off against the L.A. Kings and rallied for a 4-3 win.

Tyler Bokkers and Justin Allen each had exceptional games with single goals to Jake Wynne and Sean Coughlin. James John, filling in for the injured Amber, fired in two goals. Assists went to Bruce Cardwell, Jordan Stockdale, Mike Gerow and Justin Allen.

Later the same day, Norwood hosted the Lions and Flyers, with the Flyers winning 3-2.

Lions defenders David Abrahamse and Katie Moore both had great games. The Lackey brothers, Ben and Bobby, skated with determination.

Stay tuned for more exciting reports next week.

Special Occasion coming up? Shout it out through the Classifieds!

Police services board welcomes delegations

Asphodel-Norwood - The Asphodel-Norwood Police Services Board welcomes delegations to its monthly meetings, Township Reeve Doug Pearcy says.

Mr. Pearcy, a Services Board member, told Council Monday night that they held their first meeting Nov. 23 and have agreed to appoint Darlene Heffernan as secretary.

They still need to appoint a chair and deal with the issue of procedural by-laws, Mr. Pearcy said.

"We're up and running and will entertain delegations," he said.

Delegations wanting to get on the Services Board can do so through the municipal office.

Mr. Pearcy wondered how long the Township's Police Services Board would exist given the fact that the provincial government is preparing legislation that would eliminate such Boards for communities with less than 50,000 people.

That would mean there would be one Police Services Board for Peterborough County rather than separate bodies for each County municipality.

The next Asphodel-Norwood Police Services Board meeting will be Jan. 21, 2000.

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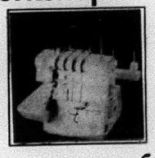

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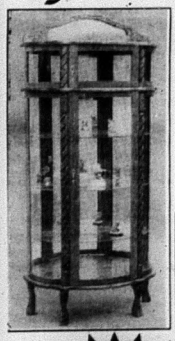

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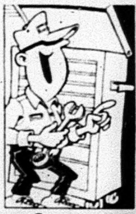

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Hornets fall to Blues in see-saw midget match

Asphodel-Norwood - The Stirling Blues defeated Norwood's J.J. Stewart Motors midget Hornets 7-4 in tournament action Nov. 27.

The match was a see-saw affair with the Hornets falling behind, then tying it back up again only to fall to the Blues.

Despite the loss, the Hornets showed some offensive finish in a very good outing.

Scoring for Norwood were Travis Grixti, Steve Griffiths, B.J. Gontier and Tyler Spooner with assists to Grixti and Mark Rumblos.

The Hornets were nipped 3-1 by the Ennismore Eagles in a tightly-played match that actually gave Norwood the edge in the chance department.

But the team just couldn't find the touch around the net and came up short. It was a strong performance by the team even though they were missing five of their regular players.

Scoring the lone Hornets' goal was Gontier from Kyle McDonald and Grixti.

Drug charges follow routine RIDE checks

Asphodel-Norwood - Three people face drug charges after being stopped during routine holiday season R.I.D.E. checks on Highway 7 in Asphodel-Norwood Township Dec. 4.

Police say they detected the odour of drugs coming from vehicles driving into the R.I.D.E. check area.

Charged with possession of a controlled substance (cannabis) was Donald Ashford of Belmont Township.

Police also charged two Havelock residents with possession of a controlled substance and possession for the purposes of trafficking in a controlled substance (cannabis).

David Simons, 36, and Carol Anne Dafoe, 35, will appear in court on Dec. 22 to answer to the charges.

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Midget Hornets, Dukes tie 1-1

Douro-Dummer - Norwood's short-staffed Stewart Motors midget Hornets turned in a tremendous effort against the Douro Dukes holding the home side to a 1-1 draw.

With just ten skaters available, the team got superb goaltending from Jamie Pulfer to hold the Dukes at bay. The game was virtually penalty-free with the Dukes being assessed an infraction with 2:43 to play in the match.

The game was scoreless until the 5:50 mark of the third when Jarret Riel scored for the Dukes.

Tyler Spooner, from Jobb Arnold and Mike Seaboyer, scored on the powerplay with Pulfer pulled for the extra attacker. The goal knotted the score at 1-1.

'Dogs squeeze past Hornets

Asphodel-Norwood - The Percy Bulldogs fired in two third period goals to squeeze by the Asphodel-Norwood Hornets in a tightly-played pee wee exhibition match at the Coliseum Friday night.

After skating through a scoreless first period, the Hornets snatched the lead early in the second with a goal by Gord Slack after a set-up from Jason Heron.

The 'Dogs came back three minutes later to even the contest with T.J. Vinney firing the goal. Chris Bartlett and Blair Fleming earned assists.

Percy grabbed the lead early in the third after Vinney struck again with some help from Nolan Fife.

The Bulldogs moved in front 3-1 with 5:24 to play with Fife slipping the puck in the net. Joe Lowe earned the assist.

Monday Nighters applaud 300 score

By Art Sels

Hastings - The Monday Night Norwood bowling team were back to normal keeping the fire going between them and the pins. It tells you to forget about a bad night and look forward to the next. Give your best, relax and have fun.

By the bowling scores you can see that the 300 Club is getting bigger.

Results from action between the gutters at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings Dec. 6 included high single performances by the 300 star Pat Wilford with his 301, 202, 155; Art Sels with 251, 186, 179; Adam Barrons with 224, 185; Muriel Stewart had a super evening with her 183, 162; Laurie Zenner with 181, 154; Pat Thiele with 180, 175; Sherilyn Heffernan with 174; Harry Wilford with 168; Ellwood Sweeting with 165, 144; Marie Garden with 164, 152; Ron Zenner with 161, 158, 148; Marie Garden with 164, 152; Bernie Heffernan with 157, 142; Fran Heffernan with 155, 140; Peter Young with 154; Isabella Sels with 148, 146; Ann Cutmore with 147; Helen Wilford with 146 and Joan Young with her 140.

High triples went to Pat Wilford with 658; Art Sels with 616; Adam Barrons with 541; Pat Thiele with 488; Ron Zenner with 467; Laurie Zenner with 464; Marie Garden with 444; Ellwood Sweeting with 443; Muriel Stewart with 441; Bernie Heffernan with 432; Fran Heffernan with 427; Sherilyn Heffernan with 413; Harry Wilford with 412; Isabella Sels with 411 and Peter Young with 404.

Westwood had John Messacar as a 300 Club star with his 305, 734; Malcolm Pacey with 278, 648; Dale McColl with 270, 619; John Glenn with 244, 599; Terry Chapman with 243, 684; Kim Kay with 230, 570; Paul Cardwell with 206, 549; Helen Ward with 176; Derrick Kavish and Don Henry tied with 171; Jeanne Kavish and Lyn Miller also tied with 165.

The Intrepid Snowmobiler

Proven Products

By Craig Nicholson

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Each season, snowmobilers ask me about products I've tested and would recommend. So here are a few of the good ones that served me well last winter. Chances are, your local dealer will either have it in stock or be able to get it for you.

Ski-Doo Modular Helmet: This innovative lid solved all my fogging problems, eliminated the need for sun glasses, and allowed me to don and doff my helmet without removing my eyeglasses. The face shield opens just like standard full face helmets, but with a touch of one gloved hand, the whole front of the helmet also hinges upwards! A few inevitable start-up bugs have been addressed, plus a new colour--platinum--was added to the black, and yellow, choices previously available. Available from Ski-Doo dealers for $499.95.

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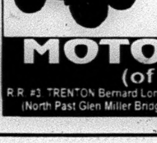

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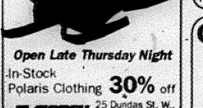

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Hawks squash Immaculate 3-1

The Bantam Hawks faced off in the Evinrude Centre on Thursday, November 25 against Immaculate.

The game remained scoreless until halfway through the first when Garrett Sacerty along with Kyle Townshend put the Hawks on the scoreboard. Dusty Woods let one goal in for Immaculate which proved to be the only one for the home team this night. Denzel Whitmore with linemates Sacerty and Dustin Whitmore scored for the Hawks. Before the first period was to end, Townshend scored to bring the score to 3-1 for the Hawks.

Once again the second period was more than half over when Tyler Faux, with the assistance of Robert Gilroy, netted the Hawks' fourth goal of the evening. Next, Tyler was to assist Kyle's last goal of the night. Faux was to strike once more this game with 8:10 remaining in the third period. The final score for the Hawks was 6-1.

Back on home ice on Sunday, November 28, the Hawks met with the Norwood Hornets again.

Steve Nurse was between the pipes for the Hawks. The final score of this game was 13-3. Havelock's points go as follows: Townshend with a whopping six goals, Faux followed with two goals and five assists, Sacerty netted two goals and two assists, Philip Darrington also with two goals and two assists, Justin Pollock gained one goal and one assist, Kris King received two assists, Chase Maxwell also with two assists and Dustin Whitmore acquired one assist.

Midgets drop two at Bulldogs tourney

Warkworth - The J.J. Stewart Motors midget Hornets dropped two close games during tournament play in Warkworth Dec. 4.

The Hornets faced the host Percy Bulldogs in their opener losing 3-1 after falling behind early in the contest. The team was not able to generate any offence in this contest and was badly out-shot 21-8.

Scoring twice for the Bulldogs was Bryce Rosborough with Jeff Pettey adding a single marker. Tyler Spooner, from Jobb Arnold and Travis Grixti, scored Norwood's lone goal.

The Hornets outchanced the Uxbridge Stars in their second match but simply was unable to convert the opportunities into goals and lost the game 3-2.

Norwood had six powerplays and only connected once.

The team jumped out to a 1-0 lead on a goal by Steve Griffiths but allowed a killer shorthanded marker by the Stars in the second period. The Stars took the lead 2-1 in the period on a powerplay goal.

The Hornets narrowed things with Spooner scoring a power play goal in the third. Picking up assists for Norwood were Kyle Patterson, Mike Seaboyer and Spooner.

The loss eliminated the team from further play.

Sabres rally to tie Hornets

Asphodel-Norwood - In probably their best game of the year, the Stewart Motors Midget Hornets allowed the visiting Tamworth Sabres to rally for a 4-4 tie.

Norwood held a 3-1 lead after one period on goals by Jason Noffke, Jobb Arnold and Steve Griffiths. Tony Hartwick replied for the Sabres.

The second period was scoreless.

Norwood's Kyle McDonaid fired in a powerplay goal in the third but the Sabres rallied late in the game scoring the tying goal on a powerplay, and with the goalie pulled, with just seven seconds left to play.

It was a very solid effort for 39 minutes but costly mistakes in the final six minutes came back to haunt the Hornets, coach Greg Hartwick noted.

Grabbing assists for Norwood were Rob Van Allen, with two, Griffiths, B.J. Gontier, Noffke and Tyler Spooner.

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Bowling results from Trent Valley Lanes in Campbellford:

Thursday Golden Age (Nov. 25th)

Team Standings--Leftovers, 50; Fugly's, 48; No Seven, 46; Odd Six, 45; Slingshots, 36; Wildcats, 32; Avengers, 27.

High Averages--Jeanitta Campbell, 175; Pauline Hartwig, 175; Jean Leahy, 166; John Koprla, 222; Pat Goan, 196; John Locke, 190.

High Singles Flat--Jean Leahy, 229; Marion Jerome, 209; Pauline Hartwig and Jeanitta Campbell, 199; John Koprla, 251; Pat Goan, 247; Pep Lattion, 240.

High Singles With Handicap--Jean Leahy, 277; Marion Jerome, 272; Leona Baker, 264; Pep Lattion, 278; Tom Spinks, 275; Pat Goan, 271.

High Triples Flat--Pauline Hartwig, 562.

Thursday Golden Age (Nov. 18th)

High Singles Flat--Pauline Hartwig, 256; Jeanitta Campbell, 212; Marion Jerome, 202; Don Cassan, 272; John Koprla, 270; John Locke, 256.

High Singles With Handicap--Pauline Hartwig, 300; Marion Jerome, 267; Lil Piercy, 252; Don Cassan, 302; Jim Mumby, 285; John Locke, 281.

High Triples Flat--Pauline Hartwig, 605; Jeanitta Campbell, 531; Marion Jerome, 499; John Koprla, 696; Charlie Banks, 602; John Locke, 596.

High Triples With Handicap--Pauline Hartwig, 737; Marion Jerome, 694; Liz Banks, 672; Jim Mumby, 759; Charlie Beamish, 717; Charlie Banks, 707.

Friday Golden Age (Dec. 3rd)

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High Singles With Handicap--Earle Nelson, 298; Lloyd Bullen, 296; Bill Meacock, 292; Bonnie Kennedy, 291; June Bovay, 266; Terry Avery, Eileen Robertson, 265.

High Triples Flat--Marcel Dubois, 762; Earle Nelson, 713; John Locke, 616; Bonnie Kennedy, 610; Shirley Mackie, 586; Jean Collard, 513.

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Tweed Santa Parade featured various floats

*Tweed - Santa doesn't need an introduction but the best way to build children's anticipation is present them with a variety of Christmas floats to view. This was the case at the Santa Claus Prade held here on Dec. 4th. In the **top photo** the Kiwanis Club float had a Peter Pan theme while the **lower photo** shows the parade draws entries from around the area, in this case the Thurlow Scouts. **BD Photos***

Audience enjoyed antics of Herdsmans

*Tweed - Two members of the dysfunctional Herdsman family "high-five" each other after intimating their way into the church Christmas pageant. The scene is from "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," a comedy by Barbara Robinson which was performed at St. John's United Church here recently. The play, directed by Bonnie McNeil, had a cast of 36 players who each gave an entertaining performance. The Herdsmans, Bill McMaster, Tyler Mumford, Sean McNeil, Nathan McNeil, Vickie Davison and Debbie Mumford, gave a particularly good performance, fighting among themselves while intimidating other cast members. The wacky comedy was prefaced with "different" seasonal songs such as "I came Upon a Road-kill Deer", sung to the tune of It Came Upon A Midnight Clear. It's beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas became, There's A Santa That Looks A Lot Like Elvis while Do You Hear What I Hear became I Think I Got That Last Christmas. - **BD Photo***

DOWN THE LANES

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week of November 29th to December 4th

Monday Night Mixed:

Ladies High Singles: Marion Vanheukelom, 260; Cheryl Rose, 230; Judy McCracken, 212

Ladies High Triples: Marion Vanheukelom, 621; Cheryl Rose, 606; Judy McCracken, 575

Mens High Singles: Randy Rose, 262; Scott Reynolds, 226; Matt O'Halloran, 206

Mens High Triples: Randy Rose, 669; Scott Reynolds, 665; Matt O'Halloran, 550

Tuesday Night Mixed:

Ladies High Singles: Aurora Hennessy, 251; Debbie Francis, 236; Pam Foley, 230

Ladies High Triples: Debbie Francis, 629; Aurora Hennessy, 586; Edie Guimond, 552

Mens High Singles: Rob Dent, 246; Warren Smith, 224; Mike Leveque, 221

Mens High Triples: Rob Dent, 656; Warren Smith, 595; Mike Newland, 579

Wednesday Afternoon Seniors:

Ladies High Singles: Maria Thompson, 257; Kay French, 198; Jean Woods, 192

Ladies High Triples: Maria Thompson, 584; Jean Woods, 524; Betty Smith, 505

Mens High Singles: Leo Auger, 273; Nick O'Coin, 231; Ray Branigan, 211

Mens High Triples: Leo Auger, 642; Nick O'Coin, 613; Ray Branigan, 535

Wednesday Night Mixed:

Ladies High Singles: Lorie O'Halloran, 222; Lin Turner, 217; Val York, 208

Ladies High Triples: Lorie O'Halloran, 603; Doreen Mitchell, 534; Noella Mitchell, 527

Mens High Singles: Matt O'Halloran, 257; Marc Dodge, 241; Don Crawford, 240

Mens High Triples: Marc Dodge, 629; Matt O'Halloran, 613; Randy Coe, 599

Thursday Afternoon Seniors:

Ladies High Singles: Jean Kruse, 248; Jean Martin, 230; Lena Rose, 211

Ladies High Triples: Jean Kruse, 628; Lena Rose, 524; Loretta Bell, 522

Mens High Singles: Gil Charlebois, 251; John Scott, 196; Ron Fleetwood, 187

Mens High Triples: Gil Charlebois, 600; John Scott, 510; Ron Fleetwood, 489

Thursday Night Mixed:

Ladies High Singles: Marg Chapman, 206; Esma Lewis, 199; Brenda Poirier, 190

Ladies High Triples: Marg Chapman, 572; Brenda Poirier, 556; Esma Lewis, 523

Mens High Singles: Craig Rayson, 288; Don Crawford, 271; Benny Devolin, 211

Mens High Triples: Don Crawford, 685; Craig Rayson, 670; Gaetan Morand, 589

Friday Individual Match Play:

Ladies High Singles: Pat Miville, 314; Kim Courneyea, 266; Lorie O'Halloran, 239

Ladies High Four: Lorie O'Halloran, 916; Kim Courneyea, 806; Pat Miville, 801

Mens High Singles: Tom Edwards, 341; Gary Caverly, 266; George Donaldson, 238

Mens High Four: Tom Edwards, 1199; Kevin O'Halloran, 804; Al Butler, 803

Y.B.C. (Youth Bowling Council):

Peewees:

High Singles: Greg Mason, 117; Brock Kerby, 103; Josh Shin, 82

High Triples: Greg Mason, 299; Josh Shin, 225; Jessie Potvin, 224

Bantams:

High Singles: Dusty Dent, 171; Rebecca Ramsay, 162; Jessie Meiklejohn, 130

High Triples: Rebecca Ramsay, 381; Dusty Dent, 380; Jessie Meiklejohn, 343

Juniors:

High Singles: Jeremy Wickens, 216; Tony Berkers, 210; Jessica O'Halloran, 209

High Triples: Drew O'Halloran, 507; Jessica O'Halloran, 497; Jeremy Wickens, 493

Seniors:

High Singles: Scott Reynolds, 236; Jeff Day, 250; Bryce Saunders, 225

High Triples: Scott Reynolds, 816; Brett Rowland, 636; David Pringle, 589

'Tis the season for giving: Marmora Village was presented with an early Christmas gift on Monday thanks to local residents Marilyn and Everett VanSteinburg. The VanSteinburgs handed over to Reeve Wilma Bush a complete set of dishes for the town hall. Photo by Laurie McVicar.

McCurdy's Atom B Blues riding high

by Mike Lloyd

Stirling's Don McCurdy's Atom B Blues have been riding high lately. They have been on a nine game unbeaten streak which includes six league and three tournament games. The streak was kept alive on November 27th when the Blues travelled to North Frontenac and defeated the Flyers 4 to 1. Karl Hubble led the way with a pair of goals with singles to Mackenzie Lloyd and Jimmy Burr. Stirling's strength in the win came from tight checking keeping the Flyers off balance all game long and their ability to move the puck out of their zone.

The Blues continued their fine play the following day when they hosted the Deseronto Bulldogs. The last time these two teams hooked up the Blues found themselves on the short end of a 16 to 2 thrashing. Stirling dominated Deseronto for much of the first two periods and led 4 to 2 going into the third but the Bulldogs opened the period with three quick goals to take their first and only lead of the contest. Hubble scored late to preserve the tie and extend the unbeaten streak. Also finding the mark for the Blues were Lloyd, Burr, Josh Harper and Brent Heusinkveld.

It's been said what goes up must come down and as such the Blues' unbeaten streak came to a crashing halt as they lost three games in three nights versus Percy (Warkworth), Tamworth and Tweed. Despite the run of bad luck, the Blues remain in excellent spirits and look forward to participating in the Marmora Atom tournament on December 11th.

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MINOR HOCKEY REPORT

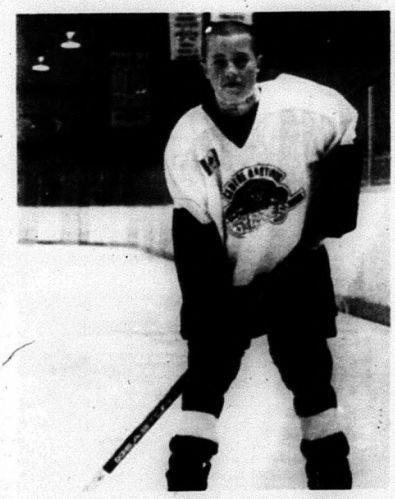
by Sherri Carman

On November 29th, in Madoc, the Peewee DD Grizzlies hosted the Percy Bulldogs in league play. First period action saw a lone goal coming from Paul Hainle off the stick of Travis Gordon. Early in the second the Bulldogs got on the board with the only goal of the period and their last one for this game. The third started off in a tie situation, but our guys turned up the heat and the Percy team didn't stand a chance. With less than four minutes left in the match, Shawn Trotter banged one home assisted by Brad Robinson. Brennan Tuckett scored next assisted by Gerry Derry. With one second left in regulation time Brad Robinson put in a beauty goal, with help from Shawn Trotter. Goalie, Jeff Preston all but stood on his head in this one, and led his team to a 4 to 1 victory.

Last Sunday afternoon in Marmora the Atom DD's faced off against North Frontenac in the first game of that Sunday's double-header. Chad Stein got things started late in the first, assisted by Anthony Tapper. Twenty seconds later Cody Chambers found the mark, the assists going to Rob Blakely and Patrick Sharkey, ending period one ahead by two. They were deep into the second period when Anthony Tapper padded the lead, passed up by Brandon Walters and Patrick Sharkey. North Frontenac started their comeback at 5:40 and at 5:11 scored again making this a more interesting game. Before the end of the second Brandon Walters had posted a breakaway goal, unassisted, and the board read 4 to 2 going into the third. This period saw each team scoring twice, the Grizzlies goals came from Cody Chambers (assisted by Chad Stein and Byron Chamberlain) and Anthony Tapper, unassisted. Centre Hastings held on to their lead and took out the Bulldogs 6 to 4.

The next game that Sunday was an action packed, nail-biter pitting the Bantam AE Grizzlies against Bancroft. This gruelling hockey game ended in a 6 to 6 tie and had the fans on the edge of their seats. Centre Hastings goals came from Greg Smith, Brad Morton, Brian Coe and Chris Sawicki with Jeff Mumby, Kalo Jackson, Brad Morton, Luke Burnside, Brian Lucas and Chris Sawicki chalking up assists. Congratulations to Greg Smith, he earned himself a hat trick in this match.

Last weekend the Midget team took to the road to attend the Regional Silver Stick Tournament in Pembroke. This tournament has been an annual event for many years and has a reputation for providing very strong, competitive hockey. Game one, on Friday, the Grizzlies faced off against West Carlton and won in a 5 to 3 decision. The second game, versus Muskrat Voyageurs, was pretty one-sided. Centre Hastings dominated this one from the beginning and ended it 6 to 0. The Stirling Blues were next on the chopping block and fell to the Grizzlies 5 to 2. Game four was the semi-final, the battle for a spot in the Championship and we had to take out a neighbour to get there. The match was against the Tweed Hawks and as always these two teams put on an exciting show for the crowds. Centre Hastings just refused to be stopped and edged out the Hawks 4 to 3. The North Dundas Demons had also won a semi-final game and were more than ready to do battle with the Grizzlies. A battle it definitely was! The Midgets had to win this one in sudden death overtime, bringing home the coveted Silver Stick. As a result of their incredible performance they have also won a spot in the International North American Tournament to be held in Forest Green at the end of January. The coaching staff, Charlie Tebo (head coach), Shawn Chapman (trainer), Sherry Maloney (manager) and John Ellis (waterboy) would like to thank the boys for an excellent tournament. They represented Madoc and Marmora communities like gentlemen and we should all be very proud of them.



New jerseys: Centre Hastings Grizzlies player Tyler Blakely shows off the new team jerseys. Blakely was the player who did the initial design of the logo and, therefore, got his hockey for free this year. Blakely came up with the design and then handed it over to long time Marmora resident and artist Clive Peacock who donated his expertise to do the final touch ups to the logo. Photo by W. Brice McVicar

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defenseman and then he beat the goalie high to the glove side. Two minutes later, Stephen Jackett slammed home a rebound in front of the Brighton net. The Blues kept up the first period flurry with two more goals from Brad Pollock and Ryan Cuculuzzi to open up a 4 to 1 lead.

The teams traded goals; the Blues final marker coming off the stick of Gabe McInroy, for a final score of 5 to 2 in Stirling's favour. Assists went to Tyler Lyon, Matt Couperus, Cuculuzzi and Pollock. David Sharp was solid in net for the Blues coming up with some key saves.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to add some additional information and comments to the Douglas Road "speeding" issue that was raised by Rob Legate. The Committee and Council should be aware that Mr. Legate does not speak just for himself. Many residents of Douglas Road share Rob's concerns for the safety of all our children. You should also be aware that this is not a new issue nor is it just about "speeding". This issue about our road goes back a few years when we had a nice, curvy scenic road. The council in its wisdom, and against our protests and petitions, decided without consulting us to straighten out our scenic road and replace our old concrete bridges. It wasn't because the bridges were unsafe! It was because the provincial government was offering money and they wanted to get their share. We raised a petition with signatures of a large number of residents in the Ivanhoe, Crookston and Fuller area. We were concerned with how vehicles would respond to a straight piece of roadway. We were also concerned about increased usage by trucks from the gravel pit on Slab Street. Councillors of the day ignored our petitions and concerns and went ahead with the arbitrary "improvements".

They were not concerned about the safety of our children then and they appear not to be concerned about our children now! They told us if safety became an issue "they" would deal with it! Well, like most politicians, they have again proven how our system in this Township works. Is it such a large request to ask that our road or any dirt township road not be the same speed as Highway 62? Are dirt roads up to such safety standards that you can drive them faster than the paved section of County Road 38 that runs through Crookston and is posted at 60 km/h or Highway 62 that runs through Ivanhoe? It is simply ridiculous to argue that reducing the speed limit on a narrow dirt road will not help! Those suggesting that 40 km/h is not safer than 80 km/h and that residents will not adhere to posted speeds make me question their credibility. Did this suggestion come from a police officer? The residents of Douglas Road or any area within the Township deserve proper respect from council. Is the safety of our children less deserving than a snowmobile trail that had tax dollars spent on it? Can some of our tax dollars not be spent to reduce the speed in our community? I want to go even further than Mr. Legate and propose the speed limit on Slab Street from Highway 62 over to Fuller and from Highway 62 through Crookston and down Douglas Road all be posted to a 40 km/h speed limit. This would cover three hamlets: Ivanhoe, Crookston and Fuller and the area in between. I'm sure that someday these three hamlets will all be connected, perhaps it is now time to see they are protected.

We did not have this problem before council made the unnecessary and unwanted quarter million dollar road improvements. Council created this problem and now it is time for them to put up some money to increase the safety of our roads. It is our responsibility as residents to see that any posted speed limit is observed and we will. Council has a responsibility to respond to our requests for a reasonable speed limit that provides us with police support that adds to the protection of our children. Has our council become one where you have to be part of the "old boys' club" to get on committees or public money for safety on a snowmobile trail used only by a select few? Why do we have to get into a major battle with council over spending some of our tax dollars for increased safety on our road when a snowmobile committee can get tax dollars for safety on a trail? There is something seriously wrong if elected officials ignore the request of those who provide the dollars but give out money to private interest groups such as the snowmobile committee.

Finally, who is this non-elected committee and why is it dealing with an issue of speed limits on township roads? That is an issue for the elected representatives of council. This is not a community policing issue? The speed limit is 80km/h because the road is not posted. This committee cannot decide to post it, or determine what the speed limit will be, only the elected representatives on council can do that. This is a planning issue and should have been planned for when the quarter million dollars was spent to improve the road. Would it have been too much to have provided for a few signs at that time?

Mark Douglas
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C.H.S.S. News

by Tyler Donnan and Chase Morrison

The day that all parents have been anxiously awaiting is coming very soon! This is the last day before the Christmas holidays, which begin on December 21st. On that same day, CHSS will be having a Christmas assembly.

Last week, the grade eight students from our neighbouring schools - St. Carthagh's in Tweed, Madoc Public, Marmora Senior, Tweed Senior and Stirling Senior - came to CHSS and were entertained by the grade 10 drama class. This class is taught by Ms. Coulson and the class performed the play "I Hate the Mall!". They also involved the grade eights by having them do impromptu acts in another set of skits. On February 3rd, 2000 our future grade nine students will be returning for a whole morning of fun and information. They will also receive a free lunch on behalf of our cafeteria.

Two very important events are happening this week. Our annual Christmas Concert will be taking place on December 9th at 7 p.m. This promises to be a great event and the community is invited. As well, the semi-formal dance happens on the 10th, thanks to the student council. Students will enjoy a night of dancing while looking their best.

The following week holds CHSS's Christmas auction on December 16th. Items will be auctioned off to home rooms and teachers or students and prizes can be won. All proceeds go to Christmas sharing. At CHSS, it is beginning to look a lot like Christmas.

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Local municipalities will meet to discuss amalgamation

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feels that way "unless the south pulled in with them. Our services are to the south, we use Belleville Hospital, that's where our social services are... everything we do. If we're going out of town we go to Belleville, we don't go to Bancroft. Our services are in Belleville."

Stirling-Rawdon Mayor Marian Bastedo said, "I know there's going to be restructuring but I honestly don't know. Our council is happy with what we have, we want to keep it the way it is as long as possible. I don't know what to say. I suppose I will attend the meeting. I'm not keen but I will."

Deline noted there has not been a great deal of discussion between Centre Hastings and Marmora Village, who called the upcoming meeting, but added, "There's been some bouncing around. Tyendinaga had talked to us a bit about getting together as a group and going into strength with the City of Belleville but go in with a rural strength." Deline said he suggested Tyendinaga go in with Deseronto for now to eliminate those small problems and then discussions could take place again at a later date.

When it comes to services, should this amalgamation take place, Deline stated he liked the aspect of the county delivering the upper tier services because they are also delivering them for the two cities.

"What it would mean," Deline said, "is if we eliminated the county it would mean one of the two cities would have to take over the delivery which means probably taking over county employees to operate it and you're going to have a major cost associated with any big change over where labour's involved and then I'm not sure if we'd have the say in the operation as much as we do right now."

Bastedo pointed out her personal view is that her municipality belongs in the south with Belleville and Quinte West.

"That's where our interests are," Bastedo said, "that's where our people work. They have the majority of the commercial assessment. I don't think that the county, to amalgamate a two tier government, would work. I would take Prince Edward County as a model." Bastedo added she is strongly in support of a one tier government and has been always. She said that is the only way any money could possibly be saved.

With Marmora and Lake Township's motion to bring a commissioner in Bush said Township Reeve Lionel Bennett told her they were only really interested in amalgamating with the Village of Marmora but, if they had to go further, they would go with the municipalities at the Madoc Township meeting.

"We'll talk to anybody," Bush said when it was noted they attended that meeting but expressed no interest. "I'd be extremely surprised if they're just allowed to amalgamate. When we have this special meeting maybe we'll look at a commission too, this is why we're calling this meeting in January, to hopefully get some people together."

Deline commented he is prepared to meet with anybody that would like to discuss amalgamation. He pointed out Centre Hastings is not out aggressively looking for anything more than what they currently have but, he added, they've done well with what they do have and if opportunities rise to amalgamate they'll be considered.

Stolen scooter recovered

Tweed - Approximately one month ago, Centre Hastings OPP reported that a male individual, who resides in the Village of Tweed, had his only source of transportation - a handicap three-wheel motor scooter stolen.

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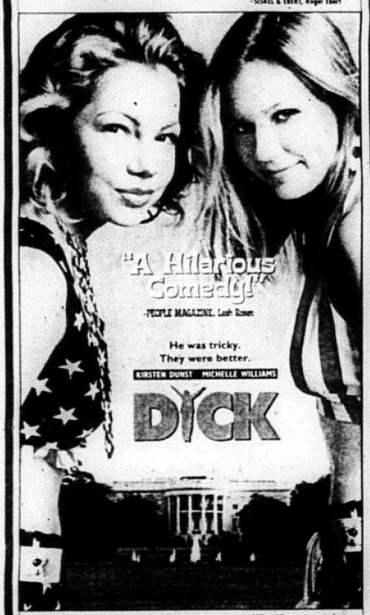

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Madoc Public Library news

We had a great craft day last moth and our new tree is decorated with lovely handmade ornaments and a very, very long paper chain. Craft day this month is early because of Christmas. It will be on Saturday, December 18th from 10:30 till noon for kids age 4-10. We'll be making some more Christmas stuff.

The IGA tapes are still pouring in and we've been getting in lots of new books. Some fiction titles you may be interested in are:

Roschaven by Catherine Coulter

Timeline by Michael Crichton

Tip Off by John Francome

and some non-fiction:

A Life in the Bush: Lessons From My Father by Roy MacGregor

The Reader's Digest Beginner's Guide to the Internet, e-mail and faxing

For Home And Country: The Centennial History of Women's Institutes in Ontario by Linda Ambrose

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Conservation Authority concerned with low water levels

by W. Brice McVicar

Terry Murphy, manager of the Quinte Conservation Authority, attended council Monday evening to discuss the Authority's new watershed watch program and how it will help deal with low water levels.

Murphy told council the main reason he wanted to talk with them was about the watershed watch program. He stated last year and the year before they received numerous phone calls concerning low water levels through their entire area.

"The experts, climatologists and other experts are predicting next year and the year after are going to be the same or worse," Murphy said. "We decided that we have to address the problem and try to come up with some kinds of things that we could give to you to use and that we could use. The first thing that we realized was that we don't have enough information to build on to make a good decision on."

Murphy said the Authority can not make out what relationship certain wetlands have with well systems and how other systems are affected by wetlands. However, this year they are hoping to be able to fix that problem with the help of volunteers.

The program they have designed will weigh heavily on the use of approximately 100 volunteers who live on water or near water and the Authority will set up monitoring systems for them where they can record and report water levels at various times.

"The one thing that we found last year," Murphy told council, "was that v had unique rainfalls in pa of our watershed that didn show up anywhere. Th weren't on radars."

Murphy said that if t network of volunteers c collect rainfall percentag water levels and any oth environmental informati they can start to address t low water levels issue. T Authority has already g over 30 volunteers who a willing to lend their help

"We've done son fundraising to help us b equipment so we're hopi in the spring of 2000 we c have the program runni and then we'll just ke building on it. The big thi that it will do is help make the recommendati (on low water levels) Murphy stated.

Reeve Tom Deline sa he agreed with Murphy a stated gathering data is t key way to approach a problem and, "you can nev have enough of it." Deli also noted one of the ma things the Authority woul be looking for are naturall recharged ground water a eas.

Councillor Mitz noted h

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Santa visitis Special Olympics Athletes: Santa Claus took time out of his busy schedule to visit with approximately 30 Special Olympics athletes on Friday afternoon. It was the 10th Annual Bowling Teams Christmas Party. Cathy Collins, head coach and Recreationist with Pathways to Independence of Belleville extended thanks to the Youth Bowling Council, Madoc IGA and Mrs. Roseanne Empey for their donations. Photo by W. Brice McVicar

Election already on council's mind

by W. Brice McVicar

Though the next election won't be until November, Centre Hastings council are already thinking about it.

At their December 13th meeting council discussed whether they would again go with the mail-in voting to allow people with summer homes to vote in the upcoming election.

"I think, personally, it was very successful," Councillor David Schulz noted.

When Councillor Larry Mitz stated he felt allowing mail-in voting would increase voter turn-out Treasurer Bonnie Jones pointed out last year's mail-in voting resulted in doubling the figures of voter turn-out.

It was also mentioned that for the new year election council didn't feel there was a need for voting in the ward systems but, instead, voting for the entire municipality.

Councillor Mitz added

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Madoc area boy gets his work "published"

by W. Brice McVicar

A student at Madoc Township Public School has been "published" and he's very excited about it.

Six year old Ryan Harris Reid drew a picture, along with other students at the school, and submitted it for a book the Ontario government was creating to mark the new millennium. The book features various stories and pictures from students across the province. The book is titled My Ontario: A Millennium Memento.

"I drew this picture and we sent it all around Ontario and the kids picked mine. I don't know why they picked mine," Reid said.

The picture, done in crayon, shows Reid working on a house, which, he said, he'd like to do when he gets older, like his father. Beneath the picture Reid has written, When I'm 25 I'm going to work on construction. I'm going to build houses, I'm going to use nails, hammers, windows and doors and wood, a sledgehammer, wrench and nails.

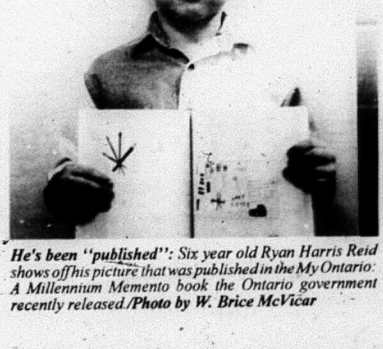
Reid stated it took him about "fifteen or ten minutes" to create his picture. He drew it when he was in senior kindergarten, last year.

"I never knew I got published until people started saying Ryan's getting published," Reid remarked. He added his friends think it's "pretty neat" that his picture was chosen to appear in the book.

Reid stated some of the other students at the school also drew pictures and ot ers participated in acti ties, he wanted to draw picture on the hopes that would be published a appear in the book. He like to see more of his thin published.

With other newspaper such as the Loyalist Co lege Pioneer and The King ston Whig-Standard, slate to talk with him Reid sai he thinks it's "pretty neat that he's getting all this a tention over one picture.

Another Madoc Town ship Public School studen Brandon McKinnon, ha also been published in on of the millennium books His work appears in the li brary edition of the book.



He's been "published": Six year old Ryan Harris Reid shows off his picture that was published in the My Ontario: A Millennium Memento book the Ontario government recently released./Photo by W. Brice McVicar

Ride Program on 62

Centre Hastings OPP conducted a festive RIDE program on Highway 62 just south of Madoc on December 11th. Over 200 vehicles were checked. Police administered one roadside test and issued a number of Highway Traffic Act warnings.

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Free community dinner returns

Once again during the Christmas holidays there will be a free community dinner for the village of Madoc to be held on December 23rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Madoc Kiwanis Centre. Madoc Pentecostal Church, along with several local merchants, and the Kiwanis Centre will sponsor this event.

This event continues to grow and pick up momentum. This will be the fifth year for the well received dinner. Each year the numbers increase substantially, which is why the dinner was moved from the church to the larger facility (Kiwanis Centre). Highlights each year are when people call asking if they can be a part of it, as well as several local businesses donating cash or supplies to defer the cost of the event.

This is an event that the entire church and community rallies around and supports each year, many of whom have become repeats year after year, stating what a thrill it is to know that they are helping to bring a little joy into the lives of others during the holidays.

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with seating and refreshments, followed by a full course turkey dinner and all the trimmings. The dinner will then be followed with some special music and Christmas caroling.

While the dinner is geared towards those in need, the lonely, the seniors, or those who may not have family and friends near-by to celebrate the holidays, with, everyone is welcomed to be a part of the dinner. Those wanting to help in any way can call Dwight Dillabough and they would only be too happy to receive your assistance.

For those wishing to reserve a seat for the evening please call Dillabough at 473-2935 or the Resource Centre at 473-5255. Free transportation is also available.

Lower water levels a concern

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had attended a seminar on global warming and added the information presented at the seminar was "scary."

Murphy agreed with him but added, "They're doing their modelling based on some systems in Nevada and then taking that system and applying it to the Trent System and to the Moira and if basically the same thing happened over a period of years there wouldn't be any water in the Trent System but that's based on a lot of things."

Mitz noted he understood the system couldn't be applied here with the exact same impact but noted there was a lack of data for this area. He pointed out the more volunteers the Authority gets the better so this information can be effectively collected.

Mitz also questioned whether volunteers will be used along Rawdon Creek, one of the major sources for ground water recharge, but was told no because that area falls into the jurisdiction of Lower Trent Region Conservation Authority. However, any information gathered in that area would be of use to them to predict what impact it will have on other regions.

"I would like to see us deal with just one Conservation Authority, if there is any way we can get an agreement between the two," Reeve Deline noted.

Councillor Mitz, who sits on both Authority boards, added he had brought that issue up before and while both were receptive to the idea it has never been done.

Ivanhoe Women's Institute

Members of Ivanhoe Women's Institute met at Quinte Restaurant on December 7th where we enjoyed a delicious lunch. Then we journeyed to Laura Woods' apartment for our meeting.

President Mary Sills opened by reading a poem and welcomed all and then asked all to join in singing the "Ode" and repeating the collect.

Minutes were read and approved.

A thank you card was read.

Roll call was "What is your fondest memory of Christmas." Many replies were enjoyed.

Readings for Christmas were given by June, Ada, Marian and Elfrieda.

A short film was shown by Olive showing her granddaughter Susan Cooke doing commercials in Toronto.

Laura showed a short film showing the organization of the Christmas Carol Silent Night taken in Austria. The scenery was beautiful.

An exchange of gifts was enjoyed with everyone receiving something beautiful to take home.

Mary gave out a puzzle on Christmas phrases which made us think hard but enjoyed by those able to solve and get the answers.

Laura served a delicious lunch and wished Merry Christmas to everyone and a final good-bye for this century we concluded the final meeting of 1999.

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The Snowiest Christmas

At Madoc Public School, the kids were complaining that it had not snowed. Two kids believed that it would snow soon. Their names were Devon and Brandon.

The next day was December 1st. Brandon and Devon waited until it snowed.

The next day, Devon had a hard time pushing the door open. When Devon got outside there were piles of snow. Devon ran to Brandon's house. They played all day. They made tall snowmen and short snowmen. They made a fat snowman and a skinny snowman. They made billions of snowmen. Then a lot of kids came over and made snowmen too. They used all the snow up.

The next day, there was even more snow than the day before. At sundown, you could not see Devon's and Brandon's house. They were covered with snowmen.

Devon Dafoe
Grade 2
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want to have a four wheeler please. Thank you for my present. How's Rudolph?
Brock Kerby
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I was a good girl. I want a watch for Christmas. I want a tiny Santa.
Felicia Leveque
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I want a Blastoids and a charmelion please.
Dylan Kehoe
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy at school. I ask for gifts and chocolate in my stocking.
Gregory Horvat
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Please can I have a sled and I want a toy monster truck. I have been a good boy. How are you?
Jordan Preston
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I love your reindeer. May I have a Pokemon?
Regina Alexander
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I want a Pokemon please. I love you Santa.
Dalton Brett
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I love you. Can I please have a big stuffed Charmander?
Sarah Leitch
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I am six years old now. How are your reindeer doing? How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? May I have a Hot Wheels computer please?
Kyle Coolen
Madoc Public School

Christmas

Christmas to me is a time many families gather under one roof to enjoy a wonderful turkey dinner and the glow on a child's face as they open that special gift that they have waited all year for.

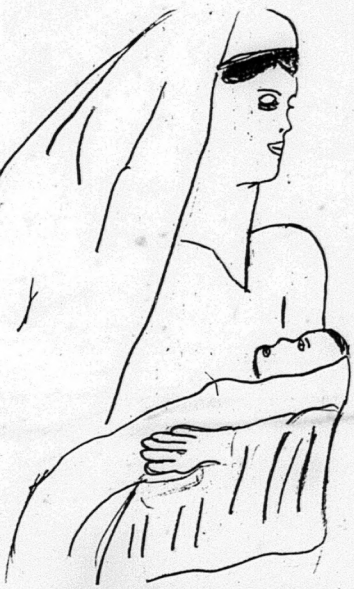
As the story goes, on December 25th, over 2000 years ago, as the shepherds were out watching their herds, they saw a star, and from the star came an angel. The angel said, "Tonight is very special for a baby has been born into the life of Joseph and Mary in Bethlehem. Follow the star and you too can see the baby Jesus!" At once the shepherds followed the star, and they came to an underground stable, where in the manger they saw a very little baby.

That is how I see Christmas. Christmas to me is a very special time of year.
Amanda Parks
Grade 7
Madoc Public School

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME

Christmas is a time to look forward to
for all the things we see and do.
Snow covers the ground
friend and family gather round.
The Christmas tree being decorated with care
underneath we put presents to share.
Smells of Christmas baking
Wondering what kind of cookies my mother is making.
Christmas comes once a year
I'm glad Christmas will soon be here.
Vanessa Copeland
Grade 7
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is a car. A toy car. I'm wishing for an umbrella and Blue's Clues. I'm getting you cookies and milk.
Bailey
Madoc Township Public School



Jenni kay McBeath, Grade 5, Madoc Township Public School

Christmas Day

It was the day before Christmas and everyone was happy. I was at home eating lunch. After lunch, I decorated the Christmas tree and put the angel on top. At 8 p.m. I stayed awake to see a shooting star so I could wish for Santa to come to my house. At 1 a.m. I was awakened by a noise. I ran into my sister's room and woke her up.

The next day, everyone said, "It's Christmas!" except me. I said, "I see a puppy that is named Clue." I saw the name on the tag that said: For Tara. My cousin came over to see what we got for Christmas. I put all my toys in the front room and so did my sister. Then we went out for breakfast at Ace's.
Tara Donaldson
Grade 2
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In the Spirit of Christmas

Winter months are fast approaching in this festive time of year.
Family's are quickly preparing for lots of Christmas cheer.
Colourful lights are hung with care, and produce a powerful light.
To throw off beams of brillance, to many children's delight.
We prepare our tuckey by basting and stuffing.
While all the kids are outside roughing.
Christmas is great, now can someone please pass me a plate.

Shannon Hughes
Grade 6/7
Sacred Heart School

Christmas is coming.
*H*olly is hung.
*R*inging bells and garland.
*I*ntimacy and joy for.
Santa comes.
*T*onight.
*M*ore lovingness than at.
*A*ny other time for.
Santa comes tonight.

Shannon S.
Grade 6
Sacred Heart School

N is for the man who is nifty, fast and quick.
O is for open hearted, bringing joy to kids.
E is for being excited waiting for Christmas Eve.
L is for listening to Christmas songs all day.
Who am I talking about? Why of course it's St. Nick!

Amanda Kiss
Grade 6
Sacred Heart School

Come bring with noise,
the merry, merry toys.
The Christmas joy is in the air.
As we all will share.
With the last year gone by,
we will light the candle in the sky.
Come guard this Christmas night,
We will enjoy this beautiful sight.

Hawley Tuckett
Grade 6
Sacred Heart School

Christmas is to celebrate with your family.
*H*anukkah is a time to celebrate too.
*R*eindeer prance on the roof on Christmas Eve.
*I*n Christmas spirit, we
*S*ing songs and eat Christmas desserts.
*T*hinking when Jesus was born.
*M*ary carrying the baby to Bethleham.
*A*s the three kings follow the bright
*S*tar, to see our new born king.

Amanda Harris
Grade 6
Sacred Heart School
Marmora

C is for when Christ was born.
H is for holiday spirit.
R is for Santa's reindeer.
I is for incorporating the holiday joy.
S is for sleigh that Santa rides in.
T is for tree for putting yout gifts under.
M is for mass on Christmas day.
A is for alter where mass is said.
S is for Santa Claus.

Josh Hughes
Grade 7
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the reindeer? Could you bring me a ball for Christmas? I would also like a big truck. I promise to be a very good boy.

Mathieu Ouellet
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Christmas is a time of year when we
*H*ang up holly and bells.
*R*oudulph with his nose so bright.
*I*mportant as the holiday lights
*S*anta with his bag of
*T*oys ready to be delivered
*M*erry Christmas to all and to
*A*ll a good night while he is taking off
*S*anta says.

Ashley P.
Grade 6
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a great trip. And I also would like a Barbie phone and a Tarzan movie an a Santa doll. I'm going to leave you some cookies and a hot drink of hot chocolate. Thank you Santa.

Emily Winowich
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

*C*laus
*H*olly
*R*eindeer
*I*cicles
*S*anta
*T*urkey
*M*ary
*A*ngels
*S*avior

Molly Wickens
Grade 3
Sacred Heart School

*S*led
*A*n Angel
*N*utcracker
*T*he clock is ticking
*A*ntlers

Curtis
Grade 2
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are you? I would like a motorcycle, a truck and a car. I will leave some cookies for you

Robbie Vanattan
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

The Day Before Christmas

One day the two kids ate the 2nd last chocolate they figured tomorrow is Christmas.

They asked their parents. The kids were right so they figured if they slept all day it would go faster. They were right agin. They woke up just before there bed time. But, there was a problem, they could not get to sleep because they slept all day. So there mother sang them a song then they fell a sleep. They woke up right on midnight. Then they went out to the livingroom they they saw all the toys. One of the kids went down the hall to get the parents out of there room so they could open there presents.

The end.

J. Aldridge
Grade 6/7
Sacred Heart School

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In the Spirit of Christmas

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I was a good girl this
ear. Please will you help
e get my three teeth and a
agic water set.
Madison Danford
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I am a good boy. I want
hand-held game of Deluxe
heel of Fortune.
Holden Lessard
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I would like a racetrack
glows. I hope that you are
ing good.
Nathen McCormick
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Please can I have a Furby
d a fiddle and can I have
glass unicorn and can I
ve a pillow with cats?
an I have a porcelain doll
d could I have a book and
pad of paper?
Teresa Laton
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer
oing? I am going to leave
u a snack. Please bring
e a drum, a Barbie camera
d Halo.
Jessi Monkman
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I like how you play your
ng. It is your singing. It is
ce. I have been a good
rl. I would like a toy couch
r Christmas.
Kayla Wood
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Can you bring a snow
novel please? Are your
indeer flying better?
Jared Canniff
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I was a very good girl.
Please can I have an ice
cream maker? Please can it
be little and I wish I will go
to the North Pole.
P.S.: I love you.
Haleigh Prevost
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I go to Madoc Public
School. My name is Nicole.
I am a nice girl. I would like
a popcorn maker that I can
turn on myself.
Nicole
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Santa goes on the sleigh.
Rudolph the reindeer has a
red nose. Bring me a bear, a
Lion King toy and a
Rudolph Reindeer.
Ashley
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I want a little sleigh like
you Santa. And I want a
little book named
Goldilocks My Friend. And
I would like some different
kinds of crayons, mixed up
ones.
Casse
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I'm going to get a monster
tuck and three things, a
fire truck line up thing.
Please.
Austin
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I've been real good.
Please bring me a C.N.
Tower.
Coulton
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll.
Please put them under my
Christmas tree Santa Claus.
I would like a present for
my big brother and little
brother.
Billy Sue
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I would like a reindeer, a
Barbie and a Barbie again.
Two Barbie's.
Nicole
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa Claus,
Please can you bring me
a Barbie doll. A Barbie
Bubble Bath. I want a new
eraser. I want a camera.
Kayla
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I want a tow truck. I want
a John Deere truck and a
John Deere tractor.
Eric
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Barbie and
a kitchen and I want make-
up. I want a baby doll with
a bottle. I love Santa Claus
really much. Santa Claus is
really special to me. I like
every single person in the
world.
Tustiec
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christ-
mas is a yo-yo and a big
Pikachou, and a Pokemon
badge.
Hunter
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
Santa, I'd like Hot
Wheels, and tow trucks.
Under the Christmas tree.
Brady
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
Please bring a toy. A
monster truck and a Nin-
tendo.
Dorian
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer?
How do you harness your
reindeer? I'm asking for a
horsey. I would like a
racecar. A jumping horse.
Brennan
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I would like a cash regis-
ter, Blue's Clues and
fireweed.
Shelby D.
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
Please bring a harmonica
and racecars that go side-
ways. At home I'll give milk
and cookies to Santa.
Jake
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
A backhoe. I would like
one for Christmas. Please
bring a baler.
Wesley
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I want Pokemon. Race
cars and an umbrella.
Justin
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I would like some toys.
I'll leave some cookies and
cake. I've been really good.
A bunny please.
Shelby E.
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want a toy
'cause I will give you milk
and cookies. I'll share milk
and cookies 'cause I love
you.
Cory
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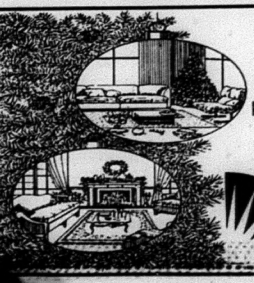
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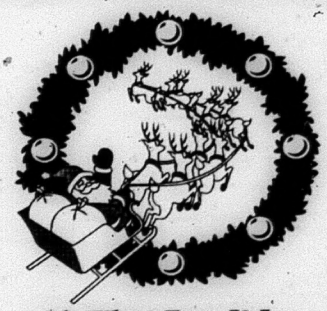
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The Nutcracker

One day Brandon told Joey, "We are going to put on a play. We are going to put on the Nutcracker. And Joey you are going to be the Nutcracker." It was the day before the play and everyone was excited.

Everyone was practising their lines. James was painting the windows.

It was the day of the play and I was nervous. It was a good play.

Brandon McBeath
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

The Night Before Christmas

Once there were two mice and a cat sleeping in their beds on Christmas night. The door creaked open. Standing in front of the door was a bad Santa. It was Christmas night and the real Santa had already came. The bad Santa was going to take all of the presents. Then a mouse grabbed the phone and dialled 911 and let the cat talk to the police. Meanwhile, the bad Santa was taking all the presents. But the police were faster than the bad Santa. Christmas was saved.

James Denny
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

Santa,
Jolly, Happy
Flying, delivering, giving
Is like a jolly old elf
Kris Kringle

Holly - Jo Reid
Grade 3
Sacred Heart School

*C*arrots for the reindeer.
*H*o ho ho goes Santa Claus.
*R*eindeer are here.
I am leaving milk and cookies.
*S*tockings are hung up.
*T*he elves are hear.
*M*rs. Claus is wrapping presents.
A Christmas tree is going up.
*S*anta is sneaky

Courtney
Grade 2
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? For Christmas I would like an airplane, a toy car and a spaceship. I will leave you a treat. I will try to be my best.

Hudson Cranley
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Winter is a beautiful season. I love making angels in the snow. Night time is fun because Santy comes. Today is Christmas. Elves are making toys. Reindeer are flying in to sky.

Nichole Lynch
Grade 3
Sacred Heart School

It was the night before Christmas. The city was dreaming. I heard a man calling, "Rudolph, lead me to the next house in the next city." I looked up and saw Santa Claus and he yelled "Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas to the world." The end.

Haydn McInroy
Grade 2
Sacred Heart School

To Santa,
*S*tockings hung by the chimney.
*A*ngels are coming down.
*N*ick is coming today.
*T*oys are under the tree.
*A*roma from the kitchen.

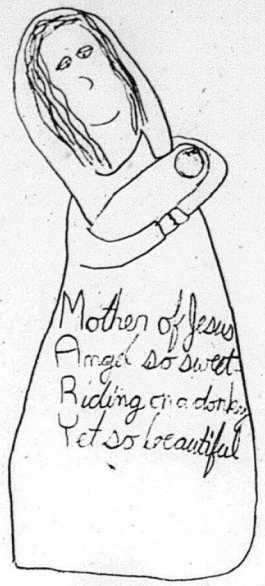
Kirsten Minns
Grade 3
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I am Avery. I like my brother. How are the reindeer? I would like a transforming Dragon, a Peekachu toy and a Snap-Tite model. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and some carrots for the reindeer.

Avery McInroy
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Kirstie. I go to Madoc Public School. I am a nice girl. I like to play hockey. I would like a dome hockey table game with electronics.

Kirstie
Madoc Public School



Kaitlyn Carson
Grade 5
Sacred Heart School

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Santa makes an encore appearance

Tea and tots: Santa Claus found some warm company at Norwood United Church Tuesday morning when he dropped in to visit the "Tea and Tots" group. While some of the youngest members of the group were a little bit shy, Santa was able to win their friendship as he handed out some gifts. He promised he would return to Asphodel-Norwood with his team of reindeer. ***Photo/Bill Freeman***

Police notes...

Nuisance 9-1-1 calls irk police

Abuse of the emergency number is a serious matter

Asphodel-Norwood - 9-1-1 "hang-up calls" are taking police away from real emergency situations, Community OPP Constable Jennifer Patton says.

Const. Patton told the Asphodel-Norwood Community Policing Committee that police are "spending hours" driving to these calls.

"You have to make the best attempt you can to see that there is no emergency," she said.

"We have been getting a lot of these calls."

Const. Patton says there have been instances where people simply dial 9-1-1 to "test" the system. Others simply hang-up and when crews arrive on the scene they have to make every effort to assess the situation.

The newly-launched Peterborough County 9-1-1 system is designed to work even if a caller cannot respond to the dispatcher. So even if a home seems empty, emergency crews still have to determine the extend of the "emergency."

Const. Patton also said that a cell phone with a low battery charge will automatically begin a random dialling of pre-set telephone numbers -- including 9-1-1.

Police again stress that 9-1-1 is to be used only for actual emergencies.

R.I.D.E. team "really busy" in Twp.

Asphodel-Norwood - The Kawartha OPP R.I.D.E. team has been "really, really busy" after kicking off its festive road-check program Nov. 17.

The team was asked to launch its campaign on Highway 7 in the Township and did so Nov. 17 at the 11th Line.

Community OPP Constable Jennifer Patton says each ride team consists of eight officers and says that each of these officers has averaged between six to eight impaired charges since the Nov. 17 kick-off.

"They have been really, really busy."

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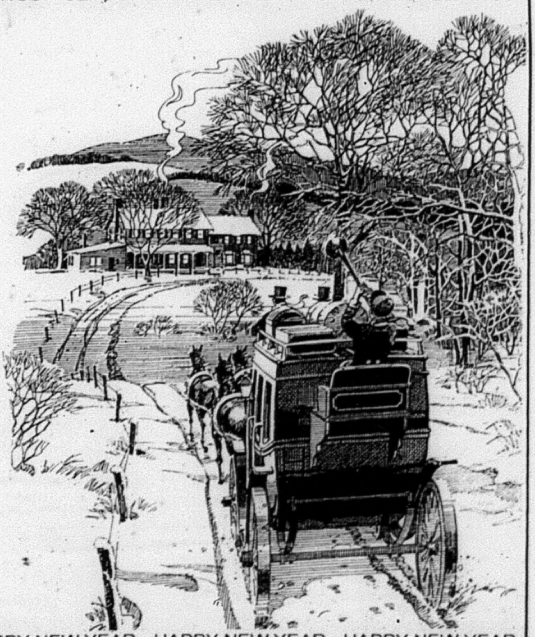

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Midget Hornets skate to Lake Placid silver

Hornets battle "AA" squad in title game

Lake Placid, N.Y. - There was a very nice silver lining to a trip to Lake Placid for Asphodel-Norwood's J.J. Stewart Motors Midget Hornets this past weekend.

The "DD" Hornets, after almost upsetting "AA" Pickering in game two of the Dec. 10-12 tourney (losing by a narrow 3-2 margin), squared off against the same team in the title match, giving them all they could handle before falling 7-1.

Norwood reached the final after blasting Lake Placid Northwood 7-1. They opened the tournament with a excellent 4-1 effort over Plainsview, Long Island.

The scene was the arena made famous by the "Miracle on Ice" 1980 U.S. national team which upset the powerful Soviet Union in Hollywood-like fashion before beating Finland for the Olympic gold medal.

Hornets 4, Plainsview 1

This was the first chance for Norwood's midget hockey players to skate on an Olympic-sized surface and the team jumped out well and stayed strong throughout the match.

The Hornets held a commanding 23-7 edge in shots.

Tyler Spooner opened the scoring with a first period power play goal and then Jobb Arnold, Rob Van Allen and B.J. Gontier rounded out the scoring in the third. Kyle Patterson, Mark Rumbles, Gontier, Spooner, Arnold and Mike Seaboyer picked up assists.

Tyler Spooner was selected player of the game for Norwood.

Pickering 3, Hornets 2

Despite being out-shot 24-7, the game was not as lopsided as the statistics make it appear. Brent Forsyth was strong in net and the Hornets held a 2-1 edge midway through the third period on a pair of goals by Gontier.

The "AA" Pickering squad evened the score and knocked in a shorthanded effort with 5:47 to go in the match.

Ryan Caban broke a horrendous scoring slump during the game notching his first point of the season while helping Gontier to his second goal.

Player of the game honours went to Gontier.

Hornets 7, Lake Placid 1

The Hornets had their game faces on for this match and had every intention of moving on to the tourney final. Goals by Arnold and Patterson in the first period set the tone. The team exploded for three more in the second with Spooner, Steve Griffiths and Caban doing the damage. Van Allen and Seaboyer rounded out the scoring in the third.

Travis Grixti and Rumbles each picked up two assists with single helpers to Spooner, Gontier and Greg Ross.

Graham Millar was awarded Player of the Game honours for the Hornets.

Pickering 7, Hornets 1

The much larger and faster Pickering team jumped on the Hornets early in the match firing in three first period goals to lead 3-0. It could have been 7-0 after the frame but goalie Forsyth was outstanding.

The team gave a solid effort and tried to get back in the game in the second but just couldn't manage to close the gap.

Scoring the lone Hornets goal was Kyle McDonald from Van Allen and Grixti.

On a good day, and playing their best hockey, the Norwood Hornets could get a couple of goals on a "AA" club but Pickering was simply too much.

Kyle McDonald skated off with Player of the Game honours in the title game.

But winning a silver medal was still a nice way to remember a trip to a famous hockey venue.

Lake Placid notes: Player of the Tournament honours for the Hornets went to **Tyler Spooner**. The team did very well in the Midget Division **skill s contest**. **Jamie Pulfer** was runner-up in the goaltending category while **Tyler Spooner** and **Rob Van Allen** were spectacular in the relay racing winning that competition easily over two Pickering players.

Atom Hornets edge Wolves

Asphodel-Norwood - The Asphodel-Norwood Archer Trucking atom Hornets won a pair of close matches edging the Otonabee Wolves 2-1 and the Manvers Mustangs 4-3 in recent action.

It was scoreless against the Wolves until the third period when the much-improved Otonabee side fire in a goal. The Hornets kept plugging away until Baron McDonald and Sawyer Gerow struck with less than four minutes to play.

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Havelock Ladies are booming

This will be the last article for 1999 as the writer is winging her way to B.C. for the holidays. We will return on January 14 so keep an eye out for us to resume our reporting at that time.

On November 29, the ladies seemed to sense this would be the last day of reporting because they really outdid themselves!

Eileen Young goes out with a bang, bowling a triple of 689, with scored of 205, 208, and 276. Peggy Smith bowled a game of 154. Marg Hummel won the bet with her husband by bowling a game of 165! Edie Bushie came through with a game of 147. Vera Dodd had a game of 205. Marie Kirby bowled a 141 and Cathy McMillan found the mark with her 217.

Kathy Pettey reached 208. Irene Hall had two good games of 168 and 198. Donna Finney bowled a game of 162. Vera Gibson, on the comeback trail, had a game of 145 and a triple of 372.

Kim Messacar came out of her shell and had a game of 232 and a triple of 577. Sylvia Sanders ended this year with a 141, 213, and 149 for a triple of 503. Joan West also found the mark with her triple of 397, with games of 129, 143 and 125. Sandy Massey did well with her games of 183 and 191.

Margo Masson should have a sore back more often after bowling a triple of 580, with games of 189, 205 and 186. Olga Young reached out for her games of 169 and 142 and a triple of 433. Sandy Toms had a good game of 223. Camille Edwards had a great game of 174 and a triple of 402.

We hope you all have a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. See y'all in 2000!

A Walk In The Woods

You walk in the woods on the new fallen snow.

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You see the animals jumping, pouncing.

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You smell the air, a wonderful scent.

You see a deer, it looks at you, you smile and go home.

Shelby Vilneff
Sacred Heart School

Santa Claus

Jolly, happy
riding, making, sliding
makes Christmas a
happy day
St. Nicholas

Chantelle Hughes
Grade 5
Sacred Heart School

Toy
Big, small
crawls, sits, stands
a present for me!
Doll

Haley O'Rourke
Grade 4
Sacred Heart School

Library CEO resigns

Asphodel-Norwood - The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library Board has accepted "with regret" the resignation of CEO Nancy Derrer at its Nov. 23 meeting.

Ms. Derrer has held the position of CEO during all of 1999 and is resigning for personal reasons. She left the Library Dec. 17.

Legion News

by Val Johnson
Br. 389 Secretary

Last Sunday, Br. 389 held their annual Children's Christmas party. It was a joy to see all the children having a great time. Of course, the hit of the party was Santa. Thanks goes out to Ways and Means Chairman Bruce Ferrier and his helpers for a job well done.

Just a reminder, that the Ladies Auxiliary Buffet Breakfast has been cancelled for this month.

I am pleased to say that the New Year's Party is sold out. I am sure that everyone will have a great time.

For all you Rama fans, there is a bus trip on Wednesday, December 29 departing at 8:30 a.m. sharp. This is open to everyone. If interested, please drop by the Branch of call 778-3728 for further info.

The schools will be letting out this Friday for the Christmas break so please drive extra careful as the little ones are going to be out.

The Legion's annual Honours and Awards will be held on New Year's Day. I will have the exact time on next week's column.

Bowling the Trent Valley Lanes

Bowling results from Trent Valley Lanes, Campbellford:

Tuesday Golden Age (Nov. 30th)

Team Standings--Tom Cats, 26 points; Happy Strikers, Untouchables, 22; Alley Oops, 18.

High Averages--Marlene Harris, 195; Betty Dorge, 168; Marie Bullen, 163; John Locke, 187; Duncan Ulley, 185; Henry King, 182.

High Singles Flat--Shirley Brown, 230; Helen Stephens, 217; Betty Dorge, 215; Allan Runciman, 228; Duncan Ulley, 225; Don Cassan, 223.

High Singles With Handicap--Shirley Brown, 290; Helen Stephens, 280; Wy Shields, 266; Allan Runciman, 276; Jack Gummer, 274; Don Kerr, 263.

High Triples Flat--Betty Dorge, 580; Helen Stephens, 574; Shirley Brown, 530; Duncan Ulley, 611; Carl Dorge, 579; Allan Runciman, 560.

High Triples With Handicap--Helen Stephens, 763; Betty Dorge, 724; Wy Shields, 717; Duncan Ulley, 710; Jack Gummer, 706; Allan Runciman, 704.

Bowlers Of The Month--Jack Gummer and Wy Shields.

Thursday Golden Age (Dec. 2nd)

Team Standings--Fugly's, 53; Leftovers, 52; Odd Six, 50; No Seven, 48; Sweethearts, 47; Slingshots, 41; Avengers, 34; Wildcats, 32.

High Averages--Thelma Lockhart, 178; Pauline Hartwig, 177; Jeanitta Campbell, 174; John Koprla, 220; Pat Goan, 195; John Locke, 192.

High Singles Flat--Pauline Hartwig, 215; Thelma Lockhart, 198; Jean Leahy and Leona Baker, 193; Pat Goan, 249; John Locke, 243; Pep Lattion, 218.

High Singles With Handicap--Marilyn Archbell, 262; Leona Baker, 261; Myrtle Chamberlain, 251; Tom Spinks, 282; Pat Goan, 272; John Locke, 271.

High Triples Flat--Pauline Hartwig, 563; Jean Leahy, 546; Thelma Lockhart, 531; John Koprla, 618; Pep Lattion, 602; John Locke, 573.

High Triples With Handicap--Leona Baker, 733; Marilyn Archbell, 704; Ruby Gill, 689; Pep Lattion, 710; Vince Sagniff, 676; Tom Spinks, 671.

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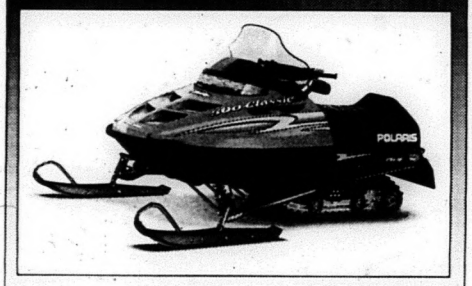

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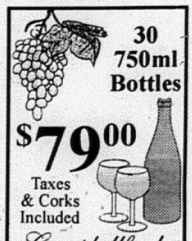

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In the Spirit of Christmas

I Could Eat It

I could eat it
the turkey and cranberries,
potatoes and gravy.
I could eat
the pies and cookies,
squares and cakes.
I could eat it.
The things we do
the dancing and caroling,
games and toys.
The things we do
the wrapping paper and tape,
opening presents and giving.
The things we do.
The things we think
The Santa Claus and elves,
reindeer and Mrs. Claus.
The things we think
The angels and wise men,
Mary and little baby Jesus.
The things we think.

Jenn Wilson
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Please I want a Sony PlayStation and a big remote control and get my mom a necklace and please get my dad a model. Last Christmas I thank you for the GT and the other gifts.

Dylan Barker
Grade 2
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
I wish you could come to my house right now. Could you bring your reindeer? Rudolph? I would like a real horse, a water bed and a jewellery box. I'm giving you cookies and milk. Thank you for the presents.

Cassie Morrison
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Ho-ho-ho Santa, Merry Christmas. Please bring presents and toys. Is Rudolph at home? Come to Melissa's house, Santa. Please bring me a book and a hug. Ho-ho-ho! A baby doll too. Baby Jesus is born. I will leave you soup because you will be starving.

Melissa O'Rourke
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Christmas Morning

I opened and rubbed my eyes and I saw my little brother on top of me. "Wake up Rob" he said. "Go away", I said not remembering it was Christmas. "But it's Christmas." I jumped dramatically out of bed, flinging my brother across the room. I ran down the stairs practically tripping as I wasn't quite awake. I opened the door to the living room and lights and garland were on the beautiful tree. The presents with shiny wrapping paper and bows made a lovely sight. I walk over to the fireplace and the warmth felt good on my cold feet. I took down the stocking with the name Robin knitted on it, hung carefully on the chimney. I grabbed the first toy and my mom cmae in with her robe on looking a little tired. He had hot coffee in her hand. "Merry Christmas Robin."

Robin Vysick
Grade 6
Marmora Senior School

The Christmas Letter

On a big snowy hill in a log house, there lived a boy whose name was Nathen. Nathen was extremely smart and he always wanted to be a scientist when he was older. One thing that Nathan's sister thought was really wrong with him was that he did not, I repeat, did not believe in Santa Claus. Nathen's little sister had to do something about his not believing because it was almost Christmas day. She thought and thought but could not think of anything. Finally, she said to herself, "What if I write Nathen a letter from Santa Claus? Then maybe he would believe in Santa!" When he received the letter he thought, "How could I get this letter unless Santa was really real?" He went into his sister's room and said, "I believe in Santa now." His sister asked, "What convinced you?" "Oh, nothing," said her brother.

Laura Holmes
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

Christmas Eve

It was the night of Christmas eve
And everything was set
The lights were on
The tree was trimmed
But no sign of Santa yet
The kids were tucked in
their beds thinking about toys
hoping that on Santa's list they were good girls and boys
They couldn't wait till morning because it's their favourite time of year
So they fell asleep dreaming that Santa soon would be there.

Stacey Parks
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

What Child Is This?

What child is this who lay in Mary's lap, who sleep in a manger, who is God's son? Who will bring joy to the world? He will. Who now save the world from sin? He has saved us, so who will praise him? We will for he is the Lord who died for us. He healed the sick and brought us to God's family. When he was born the angels greeted him with tears of joy. I know you have one more question. What child is this? .....Jesus.

Jenni kay McBeath
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

Otter's Letter

Once upon a time Otter wrote a letter for Santa. He went to the tree and met Mr. Wolf. He said, "Why are you out in the cold?" "I have to give Santa this letter." "Santa lives at the North Pole."

"Thank you Mr. Wolf."

"You are welcome, Otter." He went to the woods and he met Loon. "Where is the North Pole?" "To the North," said Loon. He went to the wood and Goose was there. "To the north is the North Pole." "Thank you." "You are welcome." It started to snow. Otter went home and was sad. It was night. It was time for bed. Otter left his letter on the table. In the morning he got everything he wanted.

Dylan Trotter
Grade 2
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Every boy and girl
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Laughter
Funny

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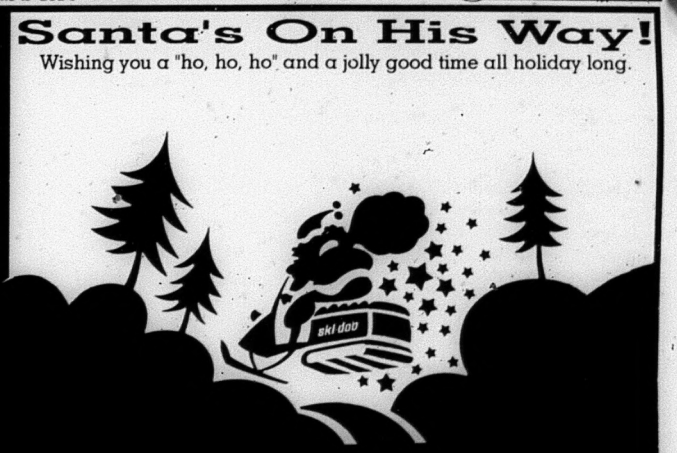

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In the Spirit of Christmas

The First Snowfall

As I walked down the winding lane, I could hear the soft crunch under my shoes. It had just begun to snow, the first snowfall of the year in fact. It always made me happy when I saw snow for the first time all year.

I had been at home watching T.V. and it had started to snow. By the time I got my jacket and boots on, the outdoors had been covered in a thick, white blanket.

Slowly the snowflakes fell, and I stuck out my tongue to catch them. They tasted fresh and new. As the cold ice crystals fluttered down to the ground, they acted as if they were on a long journey homeward.

All I could smell was the fresh outdoors. The smell of evergreen trees was my favourite smell in the world.

I can remember when I was little, my dad and I would stand outside in the cold while it snowed. It just seemed to fascinate us. Right before I went to bed, we would see how many snowflakes we could catch on our tongue. It was always cold but we didn't see, to mind. Winter is definitely my favourite season.

Jody Facchini
Grade 8
Marmora Senior School

Santa Claus

Santa. A big, fat, jolly elf.
Never thinks about himself.
Elves worl to make toys in his workshop,
while they sip and slurp soda pop.
The reindeer now, let's not forget.
Why don't you buy one for a pet.
Santa's wife, Mrs. Claus scrubs and scrubs reindeer paws.
I think we covered the whole workshop.
Now why don't you go sip soda pop.

Erin Ramsperger
Grade 4
Sacred Heart School

Christmas

Christmas is fun because Santa comes. Presents are here. It's holidays. Dinners good.

Leah Collyer
Grade 4
Sacred Heart School

Christmas Day is
*H*ere to stay
*R*ich or poor
I've knocked on every door
*S*liding down the hill
*T*he carrolers are out
*M*aking lots of music, yeah
*A*s soon as I get to bed
*S*anta Claus will be here.

Stephan Pantos
Grade 6
Marmora Senior School

*M*ary cradles Jesus.
*A*ngles guide the way.
*N*othing but stars in the sky.
*G*athered around wisemen three.
*E*mmanuiel is his name.
*R*ising bright star.

Olivia Trumble
Grade 5
Sacred Heart School

*F*rosty the snowman.
*R*ound and magical.
*O*n the hill blowing in the wind.
*S*itting upon a snowy bank.
*T*elling about his young days.
*Y*awning after a hard day's work.

Justin Bergeron
Grade 5
Sacred Heart School

Shiny star.
Tiny star.
Air filled with light.
Really bright star.

Heather Dancey
Grade 4
Sacred Heart School

Things we like at Christmas

We like God.
We like Santa.
We like Jesus.
We liek presents.
We like angels.
We like elves.
We like reindeer.
We like toys.
We like Mrs. Claus.
We like trees.
We like cards.
We like stockings.

Rita Oates
Grade 1
Sacred Heart School

The Elf

The elf was working in the shop when Santa Claus said, "Hurry up or we'll be late." The elf said, "Yes, I will hurry up and we will have a Merry Christmas." Then the elf hurried and finished all of the presents for the children. Santa was ready for Christmas once again.

Chad Reid
Grade 2
Sacred Heart School

One Christmas

One night Mary and Joseph went for a walk. They they saw a man. The man found a home for Mary and Joseph. They loved the home because they were going to have a baby. Then they have the baby. They named him Jesus.

Bianca Weber
Grade 1
Sacred Heart School

Christmas Day

Christmas is a time for giving,
Christmas is a time for laughing,
Christmas is a time for everyone,
Christmas is a time for singing,
Christmas is a time for having fun,
Christmas is a time for bells ringing,
Christmas is a time for presents,
and Christmas is a time for Santa Claus.

Jaymi Briann Bloddett
Grade 3
Earl Prentice School

Red nose
Unusual
Deer
Outsider
left out
Playful
Helpful to Santa

Maggie
Grade 5
Sacred Heart School

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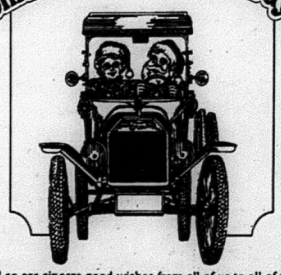

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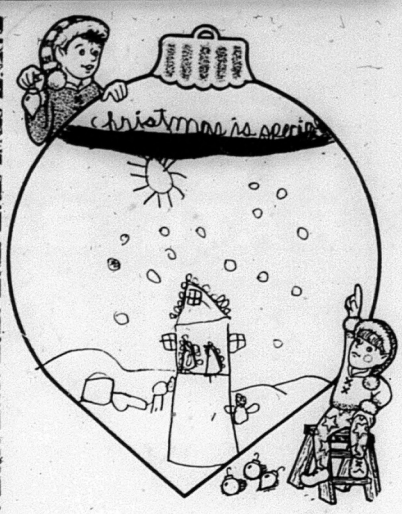
In the Spirit of Christmas

Ready for Christmas

To day we decorated the tree. It was an artificial evelgreen tree. It had green needles. We had different decorations and ornaments. We put lights and tinsel around it. We hung up red, green and blue balls and red and white candy canes. There on the top was an angel holding a star. We put presents underneath it. Then we set up the manger with little statues of baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Shepherds and wisemen. The we made cookies. They were delicious, sharing



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Jesus was the first human to meet Santa. I wish I was Jesus so I could meet Santa. Well enough about me let's get back to the story!

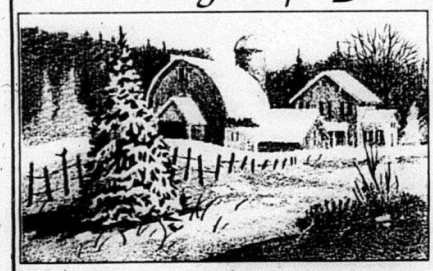
It first happened by Jesus lying in Santa's workshop. Santa was readiung the morning letters. After that he went to the workshop. And the tender babe was found. Rabbit skin did wrap his beauty round Santa was so surprised he said "why shall there be weak when I want strong."

But Santa used Jesus help until Jesus went home.

HOHOHOHO.

Alicia Wood
St. Cathagh's School

Thinking Of You At Christmas



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Remington Danford, Grade 6, Madoc, Township Public School

Dear Santa,
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Thank you Santa for reading my letter.

Shane O'Rourke
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Christmas

Christmas is the time of year when you skate, sled and drink hot cocoa each year.. You see icicles on the roof. Children wait to look at their presents and stockings. You get to eat Christmas cookies and sing songs. Then it is time to go to bed and wait for Santa to bring a Christmas toy to you.

Kaitlyn Reid
Grade 6
Marmora Senior School

Christmas Morning

I was running down the stairs. I could smell the cake baking in the over. There was a huge present. The present was wrapped in bright, red paper. I had to go see who it was for. It was so big and heavy and it was for me. It started to snow and I did not wait for my mom to join me so I opened my gifts. There was crackling and scratching noises with every tear I made.

Robbie Thomas
Grade 6
Marmora Senior School

Christmas is the season
'cause Jesus was the reason.
Jesus was born
on Christmas morn.
The Wisemen saw a very bright star
it guided them from a land afar.

Tamara Elysia Amy Rowe
Grade 4
Madoc Township Public School

Who Stole Our Tree?

On Christmas eve, Bill and Jack were putting up the tree. But then - smash - in the kitchen. Bill and Jack ran to the kitchen. When they came back, "Ah!" Bill said. "Where is our tree?" But they had just walked into the wrong room.

Chad Allan Reid
Grade 4
Madoc Township Public School

The Rescue

One beautiful day it was about a week until Christmas. The elves were making toys and a week later it was Christmas. The elves made too many toys and Santa could not get very far because his load was so heavy. Rudolph was sick but he heard Santa yelling. He ran to the sleigh but he was too late. Santa said, "It's okay Rudolph." They were right by a big house. There were seven children inside. They came out. They had wood. They helped Santa with his sleigh and Santa gave them a present and he went off. Santa told his wife but she did not believe him. That is the end of the story until next year.

Bronte Freeman
Grade 3
Madoc Public School

The Day When Santa Forgot

One day when everything was going fine Santa was having dinner. A naughty little elf threw out all the letters into the garbage. When it was time to go he said good-bye and went off.

When he got to his first house he forgot the letters. When he came in he woke up the children and asked them what they wanted. One of them said, "I want the one with the red ribbon."

The other one wanted the one with the blue ribbon then he went off. Then when he got to the other houses they wanted the same thing. When Santa came back Mrs. Claus found the naughty little elf. "Sorry Santa!"

"That's all right." Then Santa went to his room and went to sleep.

Yoka Schonberger
Grade 3
Madoc Public School

The elves were working hard while Santa was watching them. The elves made toys for Christmas. They were all ready for Santa to take to the children in his sleigh. After all their work, the elves took a nap.

Jordan Seaborn
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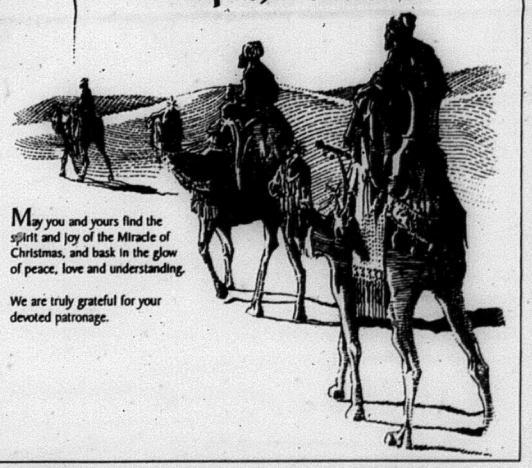

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In the Spirit of Christmas

Santa's Big Problem...

By Stefanie Wieczorek
Grade 5, St. Paul's

In the North Pole it was a very cold and snowy day. Santa was in his workshop, the elves were working away plus Mrs. Claus was fixing some hot chocolate when all of a sudden Mrs. Claus heard Santa yell.

"What is it," they yelled back.

"I can not fit into my suit."

Why can't you? Is it your width or is it your height?"

"No it is none of them."

"Then what is it," they yelled.

"I'm fat."

"What will we do?"

We'll have to use an elf to fill in for him."

"That's no good," said Santa.

"He will get too fat from the beer and cookies plus how will he get through that terrible snow storm?"

"Well, what will we do now?"

"The kids will be disappointed."

Well, why don't you sit down and have a hot chocolate and think who can filling for you."

"Why don't you buy a new suit for me."

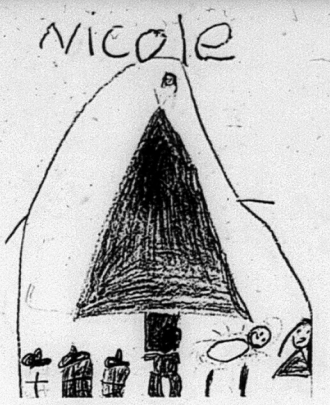
So Santa's wife went and got a new suit for Santa. Santa tried to get the new suit on. Finally, he had it on and he just needed to put his boots and hat on but his hat was a bit too hard to put it on. He started panicking.

"Now what?" My hat doesn't fit anymore. Can you get me a new one?

"Yes," said Mrs. Claus.

"Thank God," he said with relief. "I better get going."

Santa was soon done when he realized that one of the presents was missing. So he went back and found the present. He took it back and put it under the Christmas tree. Christmas turned out better than they thought it would.



The Elves Are On Strike

By Kurt West
Grade 5, HPS

The night before Christmas quickly approached and Santa was going to the workshop to make sure toy production was on schedule. He walked through the little village brightened by Christmas lights and the unusual brightness of the moon.

He walked further down the road and instead of more lights and houses, he saw millions of elves standing in the middle of a road with signs and little funnels that they yelled through.

Santa was astonished!

He looked at a sign that one of the elves was holding. It read, "No Money, No Toys!"

Well, after seeing this he went back home and told his wife. She told him that there is no way that they can meet their demands.

"What will we do, we haven't made all of the toys and they need to be done for tonight?" cried Santa.

"I'm not sure," answered Mrs. Claus.

After many hours of thinking, Mr. and Mrs. Claus had an idea. The idea was to give the elves more time off. He marched to the little shagged house called the "Elves Bunk," opened the door and tried to compromise with the elves. They did not give in and so Santa had to think of something else that would get them back to work.

Santa soon came up with yet another idea. It was to give half of the cookies he received Christmas Eve to the elves. But "No" cried the elves. They wanted money!!

Santa finally came up with a plan of all plans. He would trick them and say that if they didn't come back, Santa would find someone else to do the job. Well, after this news the jealous elves ran into the workshop and got to work. One elf came up to Santa and said, "You weren't going to get rid of us, were you?"

"Of course not," Santa giggled. And everyone, especially the elves, felt better.

Rudolph

By Kalindi McAllister
Grade 1, St. Paul's

Rudolph has a red nose
Rudolph can't find his way home. Rudolph went away to the North Pole. Rudolph is little and he is funny too.
Rudolph pulls the sleigh too.

Rudolph

By Naomi
Grade 1, St. Paul's

Why does Rudolph have a red nose? Rudolph lights the way on a foggy Christmas night.
Rudolph has a bright red nose.

Santa

By Alex Yetman
St. Paul's

Things were going great for Santa until he got stuck in the old chimney and his reindeer flew away. When it was Christmas, the elves were wondering where Santa was.

For a year the elves were wondering where he was. They thought that on Christmas no kids would get presents from Santa. So all the OPP were looking for Santa all day. Then Santa remembered he had special powers that he could get out of the chimney; so he flicked his nose and he woke up in a present.

The present opened and Santa turned into a duck toy. So the elves were wondering who the duck toy was. Then it burst and there was Santa.

Christmas

By Kayla Beamish
Hastings

Christmas is special because we decorate. We get trees. We get presents. I will leave Santa some cookies. It is Jesus' birthday.

Christmas

By Jeffrey Stockdale & Scott Foss
Norwood Public

C is for Christmas
H is for hot chocolate
R is for Rudolph
I is for igloo
S is for Santa
T is for toys
M is for mouse
A is for angel
S is for sack.

Christmas

By Brad Burtt
Norwood Public

It was the night before Christmas when Santa came down the chimney. Then he got stuck there. So I came up. Then I heard it again. I came down, my presents were there.

Santa

By Mark McKinnon
Grade 1, NDPS

I give Santa milk and a carrot. I open my presents and I play with them all day. Then I put them away.

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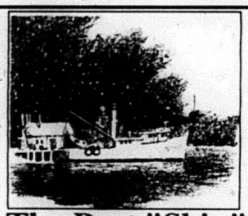
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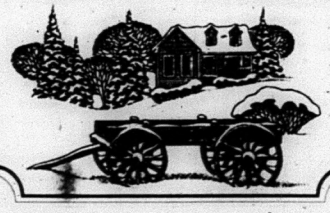

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Monday Nighters say: "Happy Holidays"

By Art Sels

Hastings - The Monday Night Norwood bowling crew had an evening of tremendous action and a line of bowling stars.

Because last Monday was the last regular bowling games for the century, I would like the bowling family to take a look at the pinfall standings and give the bowlers a good feeling that we are getting better every week.

On Dec. 20 we are having a fun bowling night -- the last of the year -- a night we can wish each other the very best for 2000.

Results from action between the gutters at Dodd's Lanes in Hastings Dec. 13 included these high single performances by Art Sels with his 259, 189, 148; Helen Wilford with 250, 179, 161; Ellwood Sweeting with 220, 195, 172; Fran Heffernan with 198, 174, 143; Isabella Sels with 186, 174; Adam Barrons with 183, 175, 140; Pat Thiele with 168, 152; Sherilyn Heffernan with 167; Bernie Heffernan with 164, 147; Marie Garden with 157, 141; Peter Young with 154 and Muriel Stewart with her 153.

High triples went to Art Sels with his 596; Helen Wilford with 590; Ellwood Sweeting with 587; Fran Heffernan with 515; Adam Barrons with 498; Isabella Sels with 493; Bernie Heffernan with 437; Pat Thiele with 435; Marie Garden with 431; Muriel Stewart with 415; Peter Young with 404 and Sherilyn Heffernan with 366.

Westwood had Dale McColl bowling 281, 676 and Kim Kay with her 277, 601 (coming close to the 300 Club), Paul Cardwell with 230, 644; Terry Chapman with 224, 651; Glenda Glenn with 220, 551; Lyn Miller with 220, 488; Malcolm Pacey with 213, 550; John Glenn with 205, 581; John Messacar with 205, 531; Derrick Kavish with 200, 556; Don Henry with 199; Helen Ward with 196, 500; Jeannie Kavish with 182 and Ruby Hie with her 162.

These are the total Norwood pinfall standings: Pat Wilford 8195; Art Sels 7145; Fran Heffernan 6448; Ellwood Sweeting 6320; Adam Barrons 6015; Helen Wilford 5981; Pat Thiele 5678; Ann Cutmore 5533; Isabella Sels 5528; Ron Zenner 5520; Bernie Heffernan 5351; Muriel Stewart 5179; Peter Young 5113; Harry Wilford 4932; Laurie Zenner 4588; Marie Garden 4362; Joan Young 3543; Sherilynn Heffernan 3296.

It is the time of year that I would like to extend my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to Vera Dodd and Kim Messacar from Dodd's Lanes; Bill Freeman and Audrey Carl of the Norwood Register and to our friends from the Norwood-Westwood Bowling family.

Thank you for the friendship you have given to me. May 2000 be a super year for all of you.

The Intrepid Snowmobiler

The Enemy is Us

By Craig Nicholson

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I rounded the corner on a sunny Saturday afternoon and braked to a stop. Ahead, the trail was blocked with a hundred sleds, parked in line like a parade that's run out of fuel. One of the riders said there was an accident ahead, so I walked up the trail.

Sure enough, there were paramedics, police and snowmobilers around an injured rider; he had lost it on a gentle curve. His soft body collided with a hard tree. His sled suffered no damage. According to the police, there was no indication of excessive speed, alcohol consumption or anyone else being involved. This experienced rider was snowmobiling with family and friends on a casual day trip. When I interviewed him two months later, he had no idea how he lost control.

He was incredibly lucky. Within minutes of his mishap, an OPP patrol happened by. Less than half an hour later, trained paramedics had snowmobiled to the scene with their rescue sleigh. Within an hour, a rescue chopper landed at a wilderness emergency helipad that was coincidentally located a kilometre away.

He could have been lying in the bush freezing to death for hours, waiting for help. He could have had to endure the agony of a long bumpy ride to help. There might not have been trained personnel or a rescue sleigh in the region. If not, he might not be walking today. He might not even be alive.

I'm glad you're able to read this column. Some of our fellow snowmobilers can't, because they're dead. For the most part, unlike this injury victim, the deceased took high risks, made bad choices, and paid the ultimate price. But don't feel so smug that you're still alive. Tragedy can strike anyone, any time. The fact that you're breathing may just be a matter of luck, especially if you're a habitual risk-taker too. If so, you are probably accelerating your date with the grim reaper.

According to Ontario fatality stats, Saturday is the most deadly time to snowmobile. However, the good news for sober trail riders who snowmobile during the day is that most weekend deaths occur at night, usually involving a combination of excess speed, alcohol and unfamiliar terrain. In 1998/99, less than 22% of all fatal incidents happened on OFSC snowmobile trails.

Snowmobile trails are the freedom highways for escape into our great empty hinterlands. No matter how many people may be there, it never seems very populated. Nor does it deliver the same complexity or frequency of visual stimulations to which our daily attention has been trained and attuned. So riders can easily fall prey to the notion of being on their ownsome, subconsciously lowering vigilance levels at the same time that the propensity to take greater risks than normal increases.

Being alone (except for your buddies, of course) is supported visually: miles of vacant space, nary a sled in sight. That other machines can't be heard over one's own only enhances this solitary illusion. The chance that anyone else could be just over the hill or around the corner appears infinitesimal the more frequently they slip by without incident, reinforcing a false sense of being alone and, therefore, safe.

And what about perceived invincibility? Mostly it's driven by testosterone levels, macho egos and male competitiveness. Sometimes, it's compounded because a rider has never experienced a catastrophic incident of any kind, buttressing the preordained belief that it can never happen to him. A solid machine and sturdy snowmobile gear feel like good protection, too, adding yet more apparent immortality to a fateful equation. Believe me, the guys standing around the trail that Saturday afternoon were a subdued, newly vulnerable bunch.

Still, many of us continue to think of ourselves as very safe riders. We remain convinced it's the other guy who is unsafe. But wait. Each of us is the other guy to someone else! And I for one would have to plead guilty to making a stupid move or being distracted at one time or another. How about you? I hope the two of us don't meet on some lonely trail at the instant of our mutual inattention. And if worst comes to worst, I'll pray I'll be as lucky as that injured rider.

As a famous man once said: "I have seen the enemy and he is us." Until next time, happy trails, and remember: SledSmart: Don't Drink and Ride. For club or driver training information, call the OFSC at (705) 739-7669. To plan your Ontario tour, phone 1-800-263-SLED.

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Jr. Tykes nipped by Bulldogs

Asphodel-Norwood - The Asphodel-Norwood Woodling Apartment Jr. Tykes second game of the season was a narrow 5-4 loss to the Percy Bulldogs in Warkworth on Dec. 12.

It was an exciting game with end-to-end action but the clock ran out before the young tykesters had a chance at a final breakaway.

Nic Wilford led the pack with two goals with single markers to Luke Dufty and Chris Bryett.

After the game: It was great team work by all. The home team Bulldogs provided pop and cookies after the game. Thanks Bulldogs. Until we meet again!

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In the Spirit of Christmas

Elfis Presley

Once upon a time on Christmas day a baby elf was born and his name was Elfis. By the time Elfis was six he loved to play music and he wanted to be the best at singing. So, two days before Christmas Elfis asked Santa if he could have a drum set for Christmas so Santa said, "Sure Elfis if you want to be the best at singing you better start now." So Elfis ran to his Mom and Dad and said, "Mom, Dad guess what Santa is going to make me. A drum set." "Oh, great, now you can be the best at singing." So that night he started writing a song and it was called You Are Nothing But a Snowman. After he was finished he went to bed and the next morning when he woke up he ran in the kitchen to look at the calendar. "One day till Christmas," said Elfis. He ran to the cupboard to get a bowl for his cereal. He ate it quickly and then walked to the door to get on his hat, scarf, jacket and boots then he wrote a note and taped it to the door saying Dear Mom, I am going to Santa's workshop to make up another song. So, Elfis opened the door and walked as fast as little Elfis' legs could go finally he reached Santa's workshop. Elfis knocked on the door tap, tap, tap... Suddenly the door opened and there was Mrs. Claus. "Hi there Elfis, tomorrow is your birthday and you get a drum set. Oh, by the way, why are you here?" said Mrs. Claus. "I am here because I need your help to think of a new song," said Elfis. "Come in, come in," said Mrs. Claus. Elfis walked in and sat down. After a while they made the perfect song and called it Igloo House Rock. Elfis looked at the clock, 6 p.m. "Oh no, I am going to be late," said Elfis. Elfis said "Bye" to Mrs. Claus. Then he quickly got his stuff back on and ran to his house. When he arrived at home he opened the door and looked at the clock, 6:30 p.m. "Just in time for supper," he said. He smelt the air, "Mmm, pizza," he said as he walked to the kitchen table. "Hi Elfis," said Mr. Presley. After eating Elfis brushed his teeth and then went to bed and fell asleep. The next morning he woke up and he ran down stairs and there was the most beautiful drum set he had ever seen. It had blue shiny paint with polished symbols. Elfis walked up to it and started playing it. "What's all the racket?" Mr. and Mrs. Presley said running down the stairs. "Oh, it's just Elfis playing his new drum set," said Mr. Presley. "Here son are your presents for your birthday. Then you can open the Christmas ones." Elfis opened his presents. He got a microphone. "Now I can sing all my songs to you and I just thought of another one. It's Here Comes Santa Claus, Here Comes Santa Claus... right down Santa Claus lane." That day a baby in the Yukon was born. Jesus heard so he sent an angel to tell the lady to call him Elvis.

Chris Davis

Christmas Wishes

Christmas wishes in their heads,
while they are sleeping in their beds.
They have green and red covers on their beds.
while visions of sugar dance in their heads
With the white pillows on their beds
when Santa is coming I hope he's not dead
Oh, there he is with his reindeer and sled.
I have a ringing sound in my head
it's just the bells on his big black belt
Well, the morning snow was starting to melt
And I heard his exclaim as he drove out of sight,
Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

Brittany Eaton
Grade 7
Madoc Public School

Dear Santa,
Please Santa I want a toy puppy. Please Santa and please get a necklace for my mom.

Andrea
Madoc Public School

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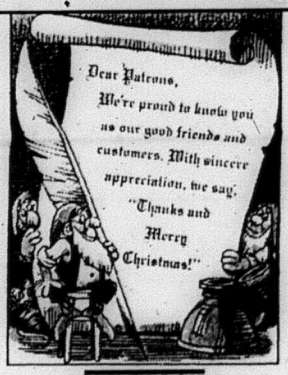

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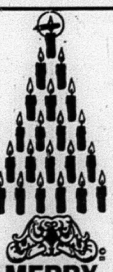

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Letters to Santa

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Courtney McDonell
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Are your reindeer feeling well? For Christmas I would like rescue heros, a dart gun and a Spiderman gun.

Eric Lynch
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I have been a good girl this year. I would like you to bring me a microphone and some make-up. When you come to my house I will leave you cookies and milk. Thank you Santa.

Kinsley Tuckett
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolf doing this year? I have been a good boy. For Christmas I would like a remote control carm an airplane and a bus. How are you doing? I will leave you a chocolate bar for a treat.

Nicholas Seaborn
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa! Have you and the elves been busy making toys? I have been a good girl . I would like a Barbie and a computer for Christmas. My whole family would like a present. I will leave you a cookie and a drink.

Elizabeth Oates
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I'm Issac. Please Santa come to my house and leave some toys. i would like a truck and a train. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Issac Brownson
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
My name is Carina. I have been a good girl. For Christmas I would like a jack-in-the-box, a Barbie airplane and a little baby in a stroller. How is Rudolf doing? I will leave you some Smartie cookies.

Carina McEwen
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I love you. Please could you bring me a Barbie computer. I want a real guinea pig. I will give your reindeer a collar. I will give you some black boots. I love you Santa.

Danielle Thompson
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are you? I have been a good girl. For Christmas I would like a bubble Barbie, a Barbie airplane and a Barbie walker. Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas.

Heather Lautenbach
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? I have been a very good girl. I would like a skateboard Shannon, a control pad and I would really love Scooby-Doo. I wil leave some cookies and milk.

Kaitlyn Cassidy
Jr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a tool box with a golden hammar. I want a thing to ride around in the woods with my dad. It runs by gas. We go to grandma's and stay overnight. We'll give you something to eat th .

Shea Gregg
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I'm Stuart. I've been good. I like you Santa Claus. I like presents. Can you bring me some things. I'd like a Power Ranger and a remote control car. COuld you bring something for Heather too. I'll leave some celery for the reindeer and chocolate chip cookies for you and the reindeer.

Stuart Dancey
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are you? For Christmas I would like a bike, a hammer and a saw. I have been good this year.

Luke Wickens
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
I hope you are feeling fine. I have been a good boy. I would like a coloured jacket, a toy van and a new bike. I will have chocolate chip cookies for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Devin Skalba
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? My name is Heather. For Christmas I would like Sleeping Blue, Skateboard Shannon, and Amasing Allie. Also I would like sone Pokemon cards. I have been a good girl. I will leave you a treat.

Heather Reid
Sr. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Baby Jesus,
I hope you are coming for Christmas.It will be fun. I will think about you when you are having your birthday and I hope Santa Claus comes to my house. I hope that my stocking is half full.

Raquel Carriere
Grade 3
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? have been a good boy. For Christmas I would like a model airplane, a bat mobile and some chocolate. I will leave a treat and I love Santa.

Christopher Swart
Srt. K
Sacred Heart School

Dear Santa,
Christmas is lots of fun with you when you give presents to people and toys. This year we are going to give you some cookies and milk and we might even give your reindeer some carrots too. I know your elves are watching us.

Sam Vilneff
Grade 2
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Santa Claus comes and the reindeer come too. Night comes. Time flies and morning comes.

Natasha Kiss
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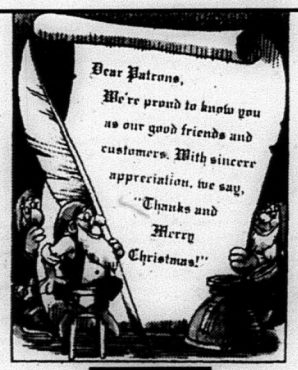

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Ladies High Triples: Donna Fargey, 475; Doris McAdam, 461; Evelyn Prest, 457

Mens High Singles: Ray Darrah, 244; John McGregor, 142

Mens High Triples: Ray Darrah, 676; John McGregor, 398

Wednesday Night Match Play:

Ladies High Singles: Kellie Redcliffe, 191; Betty Redcliffe, 184; Katie Faulkner, 182

Ladies High Four: Katie Faulkner, 655; Sue Meeks, 627; Betty Redcliffe, 567

Mens High Singles: Ray Darrah, 275; Don McCrory, 269; Ron Davidson, 265

Mens High Four: Ron Davidson, 911; Ray Darrah, 884; Joe Redcliffe, 877

Friday Golden-Agers:

Ladies High Singles: Marg Talsma, 232; Beatrice Harry, 213; Katie Wilhelm, 206

Ladies High Triples: Marg Talsma, 637; Beatrice Harry, 566; Katie Wilhelm, 475

Mens High Singles: Ron Williams, 240; Ray Darrah, 200; George McGregor, 200

Mens High Triples: Ray Darrah, 575; Ron Williams, 563; George McGregor, 546

Stirling-Tweed Match Play:

Ladies High Singles: Fern Juby, 250; Kellie Redcliffe, 208; Katie Faulkner, 187

Ladies High Four: Fern Juby, 806; Kellie Redcliffe, 758; Katie Faulkner, 699

Mens High Singles: George Scott, 263; Don McCrory, 247; Jack Scott, 232

Mens High Four: Don McCrory, 819; Jack Scott, 787; George Scott, 785

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O, I am so jolly!
La, la, la, la
La, la, la, la
Yike, my reindeer are slipping
Jake Ascott
Grade 3
Madoc Township Public School

Trees are pretty
Reindeer fly
Elves wear green suits
Elves like making toys
Santa delivers toys
Sarah Green
Grade 3
Madoc Township Public School

Christmas
Ho Ho
Reindeer
If Santa never came I would be sad
Santa Claus
Tinsel
Merry Christmas
An awesome Christmas
So fun!!!
Ashley Baker
Grade 3
Madoc Township Public School

Help decorate!
On the house, Santa is there
Lay the presents!
Lay the turkey!
Yell hurray!
Victoria Foley
Grade 3
Madoc Township Public School

Santa's New Castle

Santa once lost his workshop
So now he has a castle
It's clean and bright
And is snow white
He has new Christmas trees
That have a sparkling star on top of them
And has yummy peppermint candy canes.
Megan Urban
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

Christmas Tree

Christmas trees, Christmas trees!
Decorate the Christmas trees.
Put presents under the Christmas tree because
the Christmas tree is beautiful.
When the Christmas tree is no longer needed
take the decorations off it.
Burn the Christmas tree and it will turn into heat energy.
Devin Kirkwood
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

He Fell Off My Roof

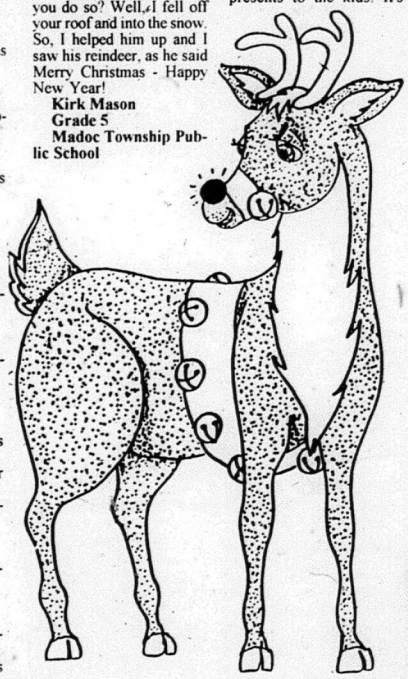
One night while I was waiting for Santa Claus I was scared by the noise of a broke vase. I ran down the stairs to see what was the matter, I saw Santa Claus looking for a ladder. I asked jolly Santa Claus why do you do so? Well, I fell off your roof and into the snow. So, I helped him up and I saw his reindeer, as he said Merry Christmas - Happy New Year!
Kirk Mason
Grade 5
Madoc Township Public School

Santa's Bad Christmas

James said, "I am tired and sleepy."
Gen said, "I'm going to open the presents."
Andrew said, "I forgot to put out the fire!"
Santa said, "I am sick. I need medicine."
Andrew said, "Why is Santa not here?"
Santa said, "I've got medicine. I feel better now. I am delivering late."
Andrew Bacon
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

Santa's Workshop

Santa is giving the presents to the kids. It's Christmas time. Rudolph was missing and then Chelsey found Rudolph in the forest just in time. Santa can make his trip for Christmas. So, it was a Christmas after all. Rudolph came back with Chelsey and Ryan. Ryan and Chelsey are in bed now and Santa knows.
Chelsey Black
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School



Santa's Presents

Me and Ash and the penguin were at the North Pole. In the factory an evil elf stole all the presents. The North Pole Police and Santa arrested the elf. They put the evil elf in jail. Santa came to me and Ash. We got presents.
Gen Laidlaw
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

Lost Toboggan in Christmas

Frogey, Fishey and Hishey were friends. Fishey was outside in the snow. Fishey lost her toboggan in the snow. Santa gave it to her last year. The snow was melting and Frogey found her toboggan that Santa gave her last year.
Ryan
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

A YULETIDE WISH

From snowmen to sleigh bells,
To tinsel and lights on the tree.
May warmth fill your heart
And your days with gaiety.

Wishing you all the best and a holiday filled with cheer, for you've already given us a gift - your kindness throughout the year.

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Luke 2:10

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From The Management & Staff

A jazzy Christmas:- The 1999 CHSS Christmas Concert was held on December 9th. A large crowd filled the school's gymnasium to hear the Senior Concert Band, Junior Concert Band, Jazz Band, Vocal Ensemble and Soloists perform favourite Christmas carols such as Oh Holy Night, Little Drummer Boy, The First Noel and more contemporary songs like Lord of the Dance. Photo by W. Brice McVicar

Merry Christmas and Thank You

The "Kim Swim '99" Committee would like to offer a somewhat belated "Thank You Very Much" to the many people who contributed so generously of their money, boats, and time to make this year's "Kim Swim" the great success that it was. Thanks to all of you, "Kim Swim" was able to contribute a total of $4227.00 to the unrelated bone marrow donor registry, in memory of Tom St. Germain.

As this is the season of "Giving Thanks", we hope you will find this message timely and forgive us for our tardiness in delivering it.

Thank you very much and God Bless.

Kim, Donna, Cliff, Kevin, Helen, Elaine & Walt

The Corporation of the Township of Madoc

NOTICE REGARDING WINTER SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS

Madoc Township Roads Department is seeking your assistance in maintaining your road system this winter. You are reminded that parking on the roadway is prohibited (S. 170, Highway Traffic Act) and that depositing snow or ice on a roadway is prohibited (S. 180, Highway Traffic Act).

Your assistance in preventing these hazards will help us keep your roads clear and safe for everyone this winter.

Tom Bruce,
Road Superintendent

Election

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he had heard complaints from various people in the Madoc Village ward who wanted to be able to vote for the entire municipality.

Councillor Schulz stated, "It's not a very big territory so I think it's okay for one area voting."

Councillor Mitz explained he could see some people having a concern with the possibility of a domination of councillors from one ward as opposed to another but he said he couldn't see it being a real issue.

"I don't think we need the protection of the ward system," Mitz commented.

Motions were made and supported for both mail-in voting and the entire municipality voting.

Nomination day for the 2000 election is on October 13th and voting day will be held on Monday, November 13th.

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December 29th
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December 30th
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December 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

Sponsored by Local Businesses, the Pentecostal Church, the Resource Centre, the Kiwanis Centre, and Individuals.

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The evening promises to provide fun, fellowship, a great meal, and great music as well!!!

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In the Spirit of Christmas

Santa and The Toys

Once upon a time at the North Pole, Santa and the elves were making toys. Now it's Christmas eve. The kids are excited. Santa had a problem. Santa could not make enough toys in time. Mom and Dad woke the kids in the morning. They did not have any toys. They were sad. Santa and the elves got Mrs. Claus to help them.

Now they have enough toys. Santa came to their house and gave them toys. Now they are happy.

Melinda Walters
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a game.
Dalton Gooderham
Madoc Public School

Christmas at Rachel's

One day Santa went to Rudolph's stable and said, "Rudolph, will you guide my sled on December 24th with your red nose?"

"Yes, I will," said Rudolph.

"You will!" exclaimed Santa.

On December 24th Rudolph went to Santa and said, "I am going to guide your sled."

The elves filled up Santa's sled while Santa got the reindeer in order. Off they went flying in the air.

When Santa got to the first house, the family were all asleep. Santa put the presents under the tree and went back up the chimney where the reindeer were standing on the roof.

The home of the last family on Santa's list was Rachel's house. She had been good all year long. She got everything she wanted for Christmas. She got the toys she had asked for. She got games and since three days after Christmas it would be Rachel's seventh birthday, she got everything she had wanted the year before for Christmas too.

Rachel Parks
Grade 2
Madoc Public School

What Christmas Means To Me

C-Candy
H-Ho, ho, ho
R-Rudolph
I-Icicles
S-Santa
T-Trees
M-Mistletoe
A-Angels
S-Seasons Greetings

Tyler Blakely
Grade 7
Madoc Public School

Christmas Snow

Christmas snow comes from up high and flies around in the winter sky.

It falls upon your roof, with no sound, with no sound in a poof, and blows around.

It's fun for tobogganning and snowforts too. Playing with snow is fun to do.

Amanda Bray
Grade 7
Madoc Public School

Runt the Elf

It was Christmas eve and all the elves were making toys for all the little children of the world. Santa was in his home getting ready. Mrs. Claus was making and patching up Santa's big red suit so he would be warm and happy on his journey to give girls and boys their presents. There was one elf who was very small and all the other elves made fun of him and they named him "Runt" because he was the smallest of them all. One day Runt got mad and ran away so the other elves wouldn't make fun of him. He ran to the stables where the reindeer were just waking up from their sleep. Runt was so sad he began to cry but he didn't know that there was a man in the stable next to him. So the man stood up and said, "What's the matter little one?" "All the other elves make fun of me and they even named me Runt." "Do you want to work out here with me?" "Oh yes, I would like to help you out here. What's your name?" asked Runt. "My name is Nicholas." Every day they worked together working and helping each other. One day Runt found a different elf working and said, "Where's Nicholas?" "He had to work in the home of Santa. He wanted you to come to Santa's home and tell you something." So, Runt went on his way. He thought that Santa might not like him but he still went. When he got there he said, "Nicholas, what do you want to tell me?" "Nothing but these elves do." Then all of a sudden all the elves that made fun of him came into the room and said, "Sorry we made fun of you."

Lyndsay Neale
Grade 5
Madoc Public School

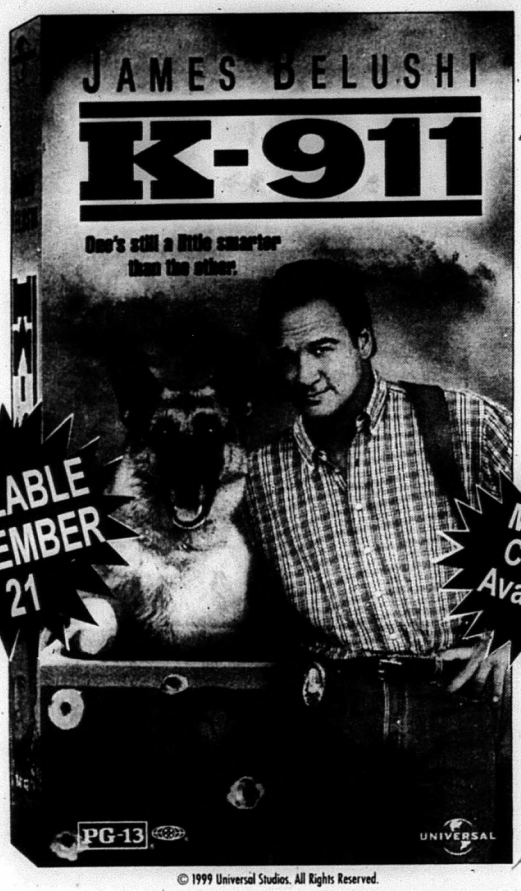
Christmas Day

Grandma knocked on the door. I said, "Come in." She came in. Shannon and Bailey came in. "Uh, oh, we forgot to set out the decorations. Let's work together." It got done fast.

Daniel
Grade 2
Madoc Township Public School

Dear Santa,
I been good. I would like a tool belt. I will set cookies and milk on the table.

Cole
Madoc Township Public School



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